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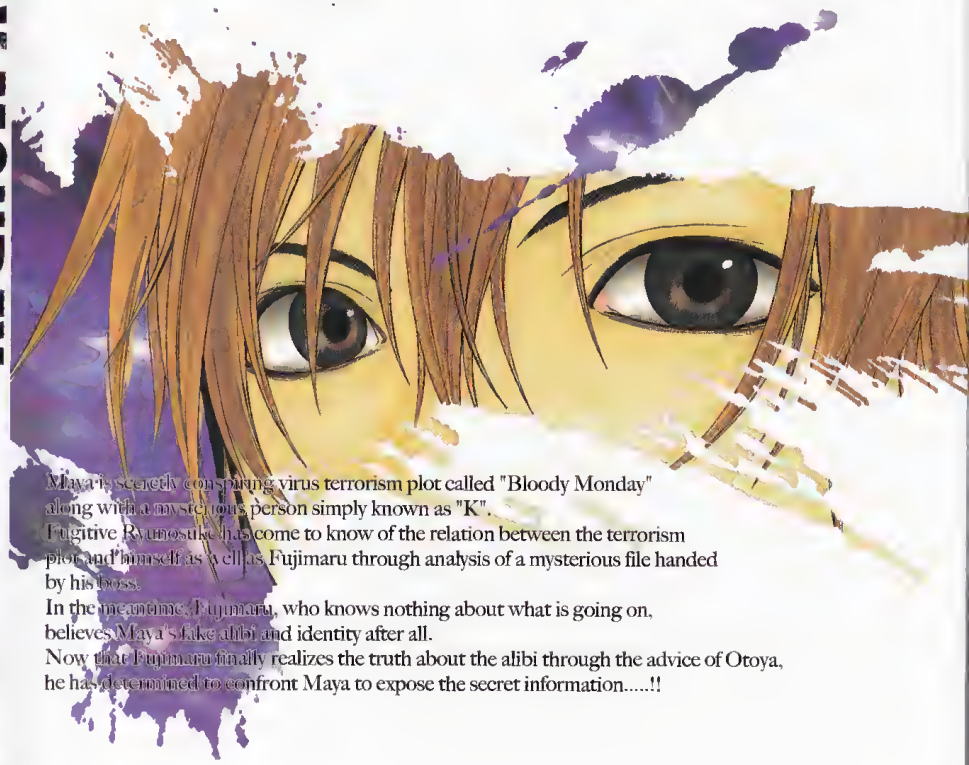

Maya's secretly conspiring virus terrorism plot called "Bloody Monday" along with a mysterious person simply known as "K".
Fugitive Ryumosuke has come to know of the relation between the terrorism plot and himself as a cell as Fujimaru through analysis of a mysterious file handed by his boss.
In the meantime, Fujimaru, who knows nothing about what is going on, believes Maya's fake alibi and identity after all.
Now that Fujimaru finally realizes the truth about the alibi through the advice of Otoya, he has determined to confront Maya to expose the secret information.....!!

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『エシュロン』という名前を聞いたことがあるだろうか。アメリカを中心に運営されているという電話や電子メールなど世界中のあらゆる通信を盗聴できる検索・傍受システムのことだ。『核』『毒ガス』『爆弾』などのテロリスト用語は常に監視され、テロの防止などに役立っているとのことだが、我々の日常的なメールや電話なども傍受の対象になっているかもしれないという。日本の女子高生の「……なんちゃって～(核爆)！」なんていうメールもいちおう検索されてるのかなあ。

龍門

休憩中にニュースを読んでいたら、「核兵器を超える世界最大の破壊力をもつクリーンな爆弾」という記事を見かけました。飽和状態かと感じる人間の技術も、ウイルスと同じように、まだまだ進化し続けるのだと、おにぎりかっ喰らいながら思いました。

恵

ブラッディ・マンデイ ～人物紹介～

前巻までのあらすじ

謎の人物「K」を中心に、ウイルスによるテロ計画「ブラッディ・マンデイ」が水面下で企てるマヤ。
真に平の竜之介は上司に手渡された謎のファイルの解析結果から、自分と藤丸と、テロ計画との関連を知る。
一方、何も知らない藤丸は一度はマヤの正体を疑うが偽のアリバイを信じ、疑いを解いてしまう。
しかし、音弥の助言によって「アリバイ工作」に気付いた藤丸は、情報を取り出すためマヤとの全面対決に打って出る…

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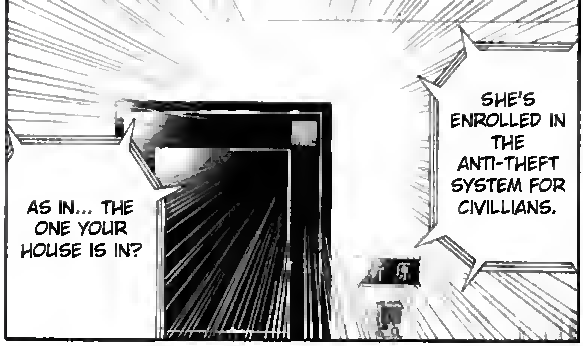
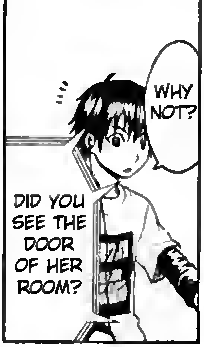
この物語はフィクションであり、実在の人物・団体・出来事などとは、一切関係ありません。

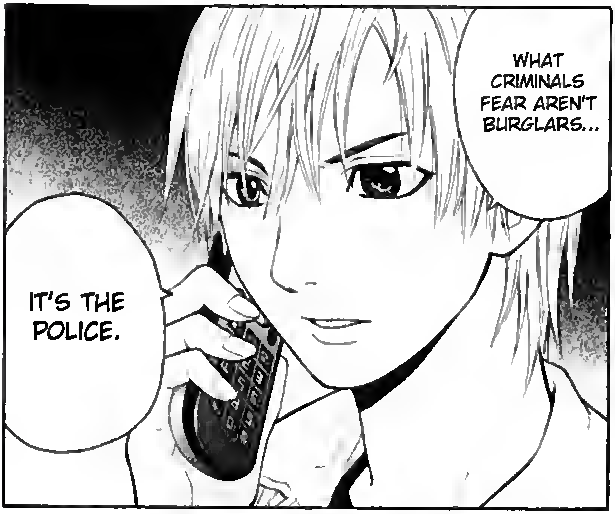
OTOYA.
KEEP AN EYE OUT
YEAH.
OK, LET'S GET STARTED.
カシャ
File 15: Strategy
RING RING
.....
RING
カラッ
WHAT ?
LET ME REMIND YOU OF THIS:
...
FIRST, I'LL START WITH HER BEDROOM.

I--
I WILL.
STAY ON TASK.
ORIHARA-SENSEI COULD COME HOME ANY MINUTE.
WE DON'T HAVE MUCH TIME.
HURRY!!
EVEN THOUGH YOU SAY THAT... THIS IS MY FIRST TIME, AND MY MIND'S GOING BLANK...
THINK OF WHAT TO LOOK FOR AND NARROW YOUR SEARCH.
WHERE AM I SUPPOSED TO LOOK?
I KNOW!
I KNOW, BUT..
JEEZ, YOU, SHUT UP!!
IF IT WASN'T YOUR FIRST, I'D STOP BEING YOUR FRIEND.

GET IT TO-GETHER.
"HACKING" SHOULD BE FALCON'S FORTE.
IS THAT A JOKE?
THAT'S COMPLETELY DIFFERENT FROM DOING IT IN REAL LIFE.
HAVE YOU FOUND ANYTHING?
.....
HMM, ONLY SEXY UNDERWEAR.
THESE ARE AMAZING.
WE DON'T NEED THOSE.
JUST AS I THOU-GHT,
NO-THING, HUH?
...
?!
JUST AS YOU THOUGHT?
IF ORIHARA-SENSEI IS RELATED TO THE VIDEO
LIKE FOR EXAMPLE, IF SHE'S PART OF A TERRORIST GROUP
THEN YOU PROBABLY WOULDN'T FIND ANY CLUES.


AS IN... THE ONE YOUR HOUSE IS IN?
SHE'S ENROLLED IN THE ANTI-THEFT SYSTEM FOR CIVILLIANS.


DID YOU SEE THE DOOR OF HER ROOM?
WHY NOT?


IT'S THE POLICE.
WHAT CRIMINALS FEAR AREN'T BURGLARS...

IT'S THE EXACT OPPOSITE.
WOULDN'T THAT MEAN SHE REALLY HAS SOMETHING IMPORTANT HERE?
.... WAIT.

SO BASICALLY, IN A PLACE WHERE A THIRD PERSON CAN EASILY ENTER,
IF THEY BELIEVE THAT THE POLICE NEEDS TO BE CALLED, THEY CAN LET THEM IN.
IT'S BECAUSE THE SECURITY COMPANY HOLDS A SPARE KEY FOR EMERGENCY PURPOSES.

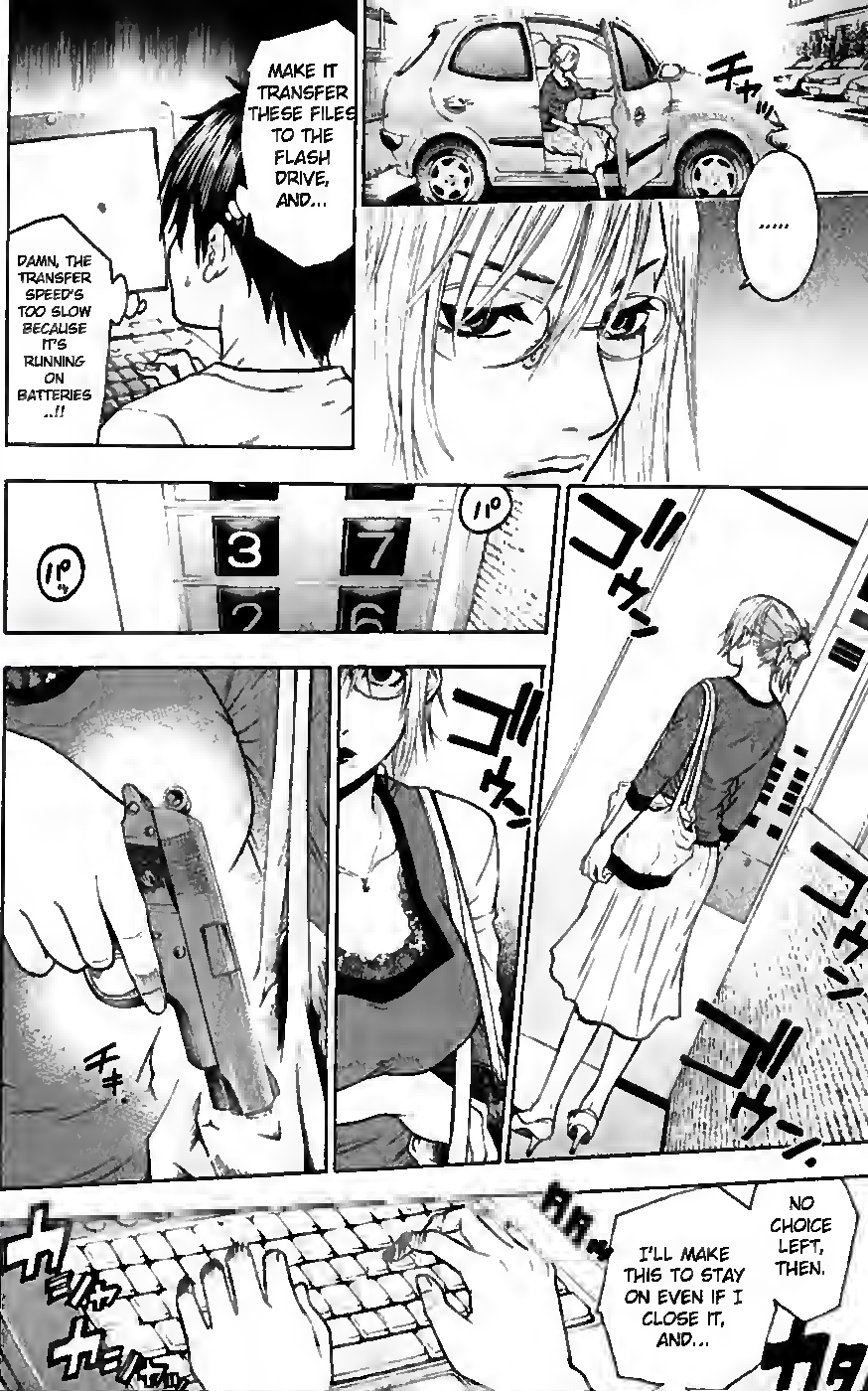
THEN IT MEANS I CAME HERE FOR--
OH MAN ...

SHE WOULDN'T KEEP SOMETHING THAT SCREAMS OUT SHE'S A CRIMINAL

I MAY HAVE FOUND SOMETHING.
WAIT...
OTOYA!
YOU CANNOT ERASE A FILE COMPLETELY VIA THE NORMAL DELETION METHOD.
...?
?
ISN'T THAT THE LEAST LIKELY PLACE FOR HER TO KEEP SOMETHING SUSPICIOUS?
HER LAPTOP'S HERE.
I MIGHT BE ABLE TO FIND SOMETHING IN HER COMPUTER.
THE DATA ITSELF IS STILL INSIDE THE HARD DRIVE.
IT ONLY RUNS A COMMAND THAT SAYS "I HAVE DELETED THIS FILE," AND *MAKES IT LOOK LIKE IT'S GONE.*
BUT IT TAKES TIME TO DO THAT, SO IT'S QUITE A HASSLE.
OF COURSE, IT'S POSSIBLE TO COMPLETELY DELETE FILES OFF OF YOUR COMPUTER..

I'VE GOT MY SECRET WEAPON!
WHAT ABOUT THE STARTUP PASS-WORD?
OF THE OS?
NO WOR-RIES.
NOW, I JUST NEED TO LOOK FOR SOME KEYWORDS AS EVIDENCE...
KEY-WORDS ?
MAN, I FEEL LIKE I'VE COME BACK HOME.
ALRIGHT, STARTUP SUCESS!
YOU SOUND LIKE A DIFFERENT PERSON WHEN YOU HAVE A PC.
WITH THE SOFTWARE I HAVE ON MY FLASH DRIVE, I CAN TAKE ANYTHING IN HERE IN TEN MINUTES.
BLOODY ...?
"BLOODY MONDAY"
YOU KNOW?
YEAH ...
LIKE ...
ブロオオ

!!
DAMN IT, I JUST NEED FIVE MINUTES.
FUJI-MARU, STOP!!
SENSEI'S BACK!
!!
SERIO-USLY??
I CAN'T, THIS MAY BE MY ONLY CHANCE!!
DON'T BE RECKLESS!! YOU'RE SCREWED IF SHE FINDS YOU IN HER ROOM!
I CAN'T
BACK OFF NOW!!
FUJI --
BEEP
AND... IF SHE REALLY IS WITH THE ENEMY,
RIGHT AS SHE NOTICES THAT WE FOUND OUT...


MAKE IT TRANSFER THESE FILES TO THE FLASH DRIVE, AND...
DAMN, THE TRANSFER SPEED'S TOO SLOW BECAUSE IT'S RUNNING ON BATTERIES ..!!
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NO CHOICE LEFT, THEN.
I'LL MAKE THIS TO STAY ON EVEN IF I CLOSE IT, AND...
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ALRIGHT.
!!
CRAP, THE SECURITY SYSTEM!
IF I OPEN THIS DOOR, THE ALARM WILL GO OFF AND THE SECURITY COMPANY WILL COME FLYING!
I'LL GET OUT ONCE AND---
THEN I HAVE TO JUST RUN AWAY LIKE THIS!!
BUT IF I LEAVE MY FLASH DRIVE HERE, SHE'LL KNOW IT WAS ME WHO DID IT!!
!
THINK!
GO BACK AND GET IT?? NO, TOO LATE FOR THAT...
THINK!!

SENSEI!
IT'S ME, TAKAGI.
SENSEI?
...
WHAT'S UP? WHAT ABOUT YOUR SISTER?
OH,
TAKAGI-KUN?
SENSEI, YOU WERE OUT?
WELL, YOU SEE...
I CALLED HER AND SAID OTOYA'S COMING TOO, BUT THEN SHE SAID "THEN I DON'T NEED YOU TO COME."
THEY ARE ACTUALLY, SECRETLY
DA--
DA--

EVEN IF I'M LYING ...
I CAN'T SAY IT!!
HMM
IS THAT SO?
APPARENTLY, SHE JUST GOT REALLY ANXIOUS.
IT WASN'T THE ILLNESS THAT KICKED IN.
SHE GOT STARTLED BY ALL THE COMMOTION.
... BUT
HOW'S HER ILLNESS?
I'LL JUST GO LATER, I'D ONLY GET IN THEIR WAY.
..... HAHA.
BUT THAT'S GOOD TO HEAR.
--- HMM??
DO YOU HEAR SOMETHING? FROM INSIDE THE ROOM.
WHAT?
THE ALARM'S ON.
BEEP
THE SECURITY SYSTEM WENT OFF.
WHAT??
COULD IT BE A BURGLAR?
HERE, I'LL OPEN THE DOOR!!

...
PRETEND...
CLICK

WHO'S THERE??
BEEP
COME ON!
BEEP
CLICK CLICK
TO UNLOCK THE KEY...
I KNOW YOU'RE IN HERE!!
BEEP
BEEP

....
I SEE.
MAYBE IT WAS A MALFUNCTION?
WELL, I DON'T SEE ANYONE.
HOW IS IT?
TAKAGI-KUN?

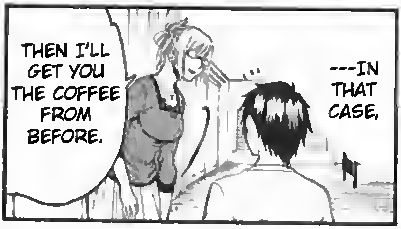
A LOT HAS HAPPENED, AND I GOT YOU INVOLVED TOO, SO...
AFTER ALL, YOUR SISTER WAS KIDNAPPED THE OTHER DAY.
DON'T WORRY.
I'M SORRY ABOUT THE COMMOTION ...
WELL...
I GUESS I'M A LITTLE NERVOUS.
THIS IS REALLY SCARY...
THE REMAINING TIME FOR THE SCANNING DATA TO TRANSFER TO THE FLASH DRIVE...
I NEED TO RETRIEVE IT SOMEHOW.
ROUGHLY 13 MINUTES.
IS ...
IF SHE FINDS THAT PLUGGED IN,
I'M THROUGH.
CRUNCH

THE LAST TIME I CAME WAS FOR A COFFEE.
BUT IT'S TEA RIGHT NOW, AND FROM A TEABAG...?
AND I SMELLED FRESH COFFEE THIS MORNING
HE'S ACTING AWFULLY STRANGE TODAY.
THAT ALARM, COULD IT BE...
AM I BEING SUSPECTED...??

SHE USED A TEABAG THAT WON'T TAKE MUCH TIME IN THE KITCHEN?
TO KEEP AN EYE ON ME...

EVEN IF I AM BEING SUSPECTED, HE WOULDN'T HAVE CLEAR EVIDENCE.
IF I COVER UP MYSELF WELL, I CAN KEEP MY CURRENT POSITION.
BECAUSE I'VE LEFT NO CLUE IN THIS HOUSE...
NORMALLY, I SHOULD SAY "THEN I'LL GET YOU COFFEE!"
BUT SO LONG AS I DON'T KNOW HIS INTENTIONS, I CAN'T STAY IN THE KITCHEN FOR LONG... WHAT SHOULD I DO?
REALLY ...
I SHOULD BE ON MY GUARD.
MY SISTER LIKES TEA, BUT I'M MORE INTO COFFEE.

ONE LAST PUSH!!
THE COFFEE I HAD YESTERDAY WAS REALLY GOOD.
WAS THAT FRESHLY GROUND?


THEN I'LL GET YOU THE COFFEE FROM BEFORE.
---IN THAT CASE,

YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT.
YOU'RE SO PERSISTENT...
BUT... I CAN'T SAY NO AT THIS POINT.

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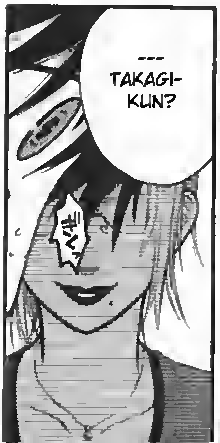

---TAKAGI-KUN?
HH!

YES! THE DATA TRANSFER'S ALREADY DONE.
I'LL TAKE OUT THE FLASH DRIVE--

YEAH, SURE!!
MAN, THIS FISH HERE'S REALLY CUTE!
I'LL GO GET THE WATER TO BOIL WHILE YOU DO THAT.
COULD YOU GRIND THE BEANS WITH THIS?
NO, DON'T GET TRICKED! JUST THINK THAT SHE'S MAKING ME DO THIS TO RESTRICT MY MOVEMENTS!

BUT WHAT'S THE TRUTH? LOOKING AT HER SMILE MAKES ME...
...
DAMN, DIDN'T WORK.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT HE'S UP TO, BUT...
IF THE GRINDING SOUND DOESN'T CHANGE, HE HASN'T MOVED.
...

I HOPE A SITUATION THAT NEEDS THIS...
DOESN'T HAPPEN HERE...

HERE YOU GO.
SORRY FOR THE WAIT, TAKAGI-KUN!!

IF SHE'S AN ENEMY AND FINDS OUT I'M SUSPECTING HER, I'M SCREWED!!
MAN, THIS SCENT IS SO GREAT...
WHAT TO DO??
WHAT TO DO?
WHAT TO--
WHAT'S WRONG?
AREN'T YOU GOING TO DRINK IT?
---SENSEI.
ACTUALLY...
REMEBER WHAT WE TALKED ABOUT THE OTHER DAY?
WHAT DID WE TALK ABOUT?
THE TALK ABOUT RUSSIA'S CHRISTMAS...
I WAS MAKING A MISTAKE.
A MISTAKE?
I ASKED YOU WHAT YOU WERE DOING ON DECEMBER 24 AND 25, BUT...
THAT...
WAS ACTUALLY POINTLESS.

THE RUSSIAN'S CHRISTMAS...
IS ACTUALLY ...
JANUARY 7TH.
.....!!

Bloody Monday

~ Terminology Description List 6~

Sleep P 12

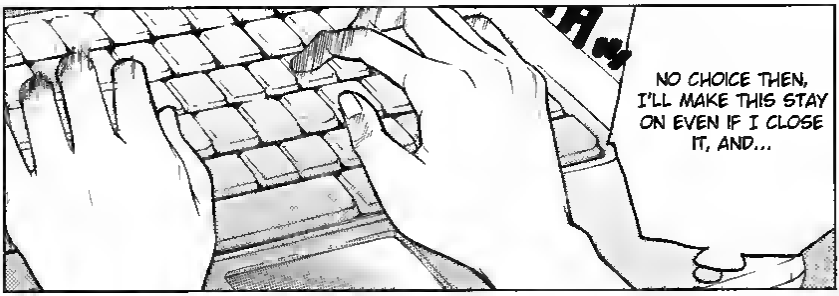
A state of standby to minimize energy loss. When the computer is not being used for a certain amount of time, it turns its monitor and hard drive off to save electrical power. The sleep status differs from turning the power off, and the computer will become active again from touching the mouse or the keyboard.

IP Address P 37

An identification number that is assigned to each computer or communication device over the Internet or a company network. Internet and intranet communications use protocols known as IP to communicate. IP address is like an address for devices that communicates over a network that applicates IP.

MAC Address P 37

ID number that is unique to each Ethernet card. All Ethernet card has a number that is assigned that differs for every card, and data transfers between Ethernet cards occur based on these addresses.



File 16
The Game is Over

WHY WOULD HE CREATE THIS SITUATION WHEN HE UNDERSTANDS THE RISK?
I DIDN'T KNOW THAT! I THOUGHT IT WAS INTERNATIONAL FOR CHRISTMAS TO BE ON DECEMBER 25.
APPARENTLY CHRISTIANITY IN RUSSIA REFERS TO RUSSIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH...
IS IT SOMETHING LIKE THE OLD NEW YEAR'S?
AND THE CHRISTMAS FOR THAT IS ON JANUARY 7.
OH, REALLY ...
WHERE DID YOU HEAR THAT FROM?
YEAH, I HEARD IT FROM OTOYA.
HE DOESN'T JUST KNOW A BIT OF RUSSIAN, BUT HE KNOWS A LOT ABOUT RUSSIA TOO.
YOU KNOW HOW HE COULD READ THE RUSSIAN TITLE ON THE VIRUS CLIP?
KUJOU
OTOYA
!!

OH...
COULD IT BE...
WA...
WAIT A MINUTE, TAKAGI-KUN!
AND WHEN I TOLD HIM
HOW I SUSPECTED YOU THE OTHER DAY---

KUJOU OTOYA AND I AREN'T VERY CLOSE.
AM I BACK TO BEING SUSPECTED AGAIN?
EVEN THOUGH THERE WAS A LADY WHO LOOKED LIKE ME ON THE "CHRISTMAS MASSACRE" VIDEO, TAKAGI-KUN BELIEVED ME ONLY BECAUSE OF MY ALIBI ON CHRISTMAS. SO IT'S NATURAL THAT KUJOU OTOYA WOULD STILL SUSPECT ME.
OH, MY... WHAT SHOULD I DO?
SO HE CAME TO FIND A DEFINITIVE EVIDENCE TO PROVE I'M A TERRORRIST...!
DON'T WORRY, I STILL BELIEVE YOU, SENSE!!
HEY, TAKAGI-KUN, TRUST ME!
BUT YOU KNOW, OTOYA'S GETTING ALL WORKED UP ABOUT THIS.
AND NOW THAT MY ALIBI'S FALLEN APART...
HE TOO LOST THE SUPPORT THAT HELD HIS TRUST TO ME...
I REALLY DIDN'T GO TO RUSSIA, YOU KNOW?
IS HOW I SHOULD TAKE THIS SITUATION.

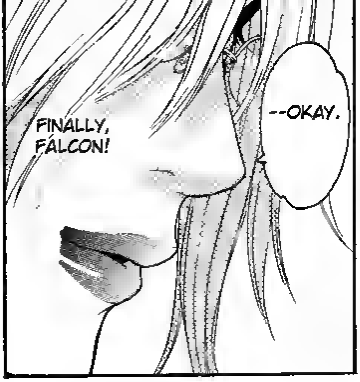
OH, THAT'S HOW IT WAS.
THAT'S WHY WE CAME TO YOUR HOUSE EARLY THIS MORNING.
SO WE DECIDED TO LOOK INTO WHAT YOU WERE DOING ON JANUARY 7TH.
I THOUGHT YOU'D BE TIRED FROM YESTERDAY, BUT YOU WERE EARLY TODAY, SO I WAS WONDERING WHAT WAS GOING ON.
FROM JUST WHAT HE'S SAYING, HE STILL BELIEVES ME.
BUT HE COULD BE PUTTING ON AN ACT FOR A CERTAIN "REASON."
I SHOULD KEEP UP THE CONVERSATION WITHOUT SCREWING UP.
REALLY?
YEAH, I'LL PREPARE YOU ONE FOR NEXT TIME YOU COME, THEN.
IF YOU'RE HOT, SHOULD I TURN THE AIR CONDITION ON?
I'M REALLY SORRY FOR DOING THIS IN THE MORNING.
IT'S GETTING HOT TODAY.
IF IT GETS THIS HOT, ICE COFFEE DOESN'T SOUND TOO BAD EITHER!

I STILL HAVE
A "JOKER" UP MY SLEEVES!!
ARIGHT!
THANK YOU!
IT'S GOING WELL SO FAR!!
I WON'T HAVE TO LOSE AN IMPORTANT ALLY.
IF I SAY IT LIKE THAT, EVEN IF SENSEI'S NOT WITH THE ENEMY,

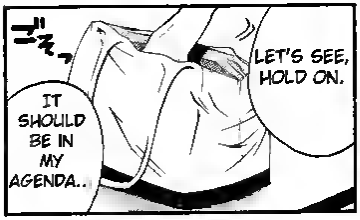
AND...
EVEN IF SENSEI IS WITH THE ENEMY...

HMM.
THAT'S ODD, I CAN'T FIND THE REMOTE CONTROL.
DON'T WORRY, I'LL FIND IT LATER.
YOU GET REALLY NICE BREEZE HERE.
I'LL OPEN THE WINDOW.
THAT'S GREAT.
DID YOU TAKE IT TO A DIFFERENT ROOM?
SHOULD I GO LOOK FOR IT?
YOU WERE PROBABLY TRYING TO SNIFF AROUND THIS ROOM BY SAYING THAT,
TOO BAD
BUT I WON'T LET YOU.
WOW!!
YOU REALLY DO GET NICE BREEZE!
IF SHE WAS THE LADY IN THE FOOTAGE, SHE SHOULD BE AT LEAST A BIT AGITATED FROM LOSING HER ALIBI.
BUT OF COURSE, I WON'T BELIEVE HER SO EASILY
SO FAR, SENSEI HASN'T DONE ANYTHING SUSPICIOUS.
RIGHT?
IT FEELS SO GOOD.
I DON'T REMEMBER TAKING THE REMOTE OUT OF THE LIVING ROOM.

IF TAKAGI FUJIMARU HID IT, THEN HE HAS SOME SORT OF "OBJECTIVE."
YOU FOOL...
IF YOU HAD PUT ON A MORE TRUSTING FACE, YOU COULD'VE DONE THINGS MORE EASILY.
REGARDLESS WHETHER YOU'RE IN THE CLEAR OR NOT...
--OKAY, THIS IS GETTING INTERESTING!!
FEW
THANKS FOR THE COFFEE, SENSEI.
十千...
...NO PROB-LEM.
I'LL PUT AN END TO THIS RIGHT HERE!!
---SO CONTINUING WITH THE TOPIC,
I HAVE SOME-THING TO ASK YOU...


--OKAY.
FINALLY, FALCON!

I'M REALLY SORRY, BUT CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT YOU DID ON JANUARY 7TH?
THAT'S ALL I NEED TO ASK.

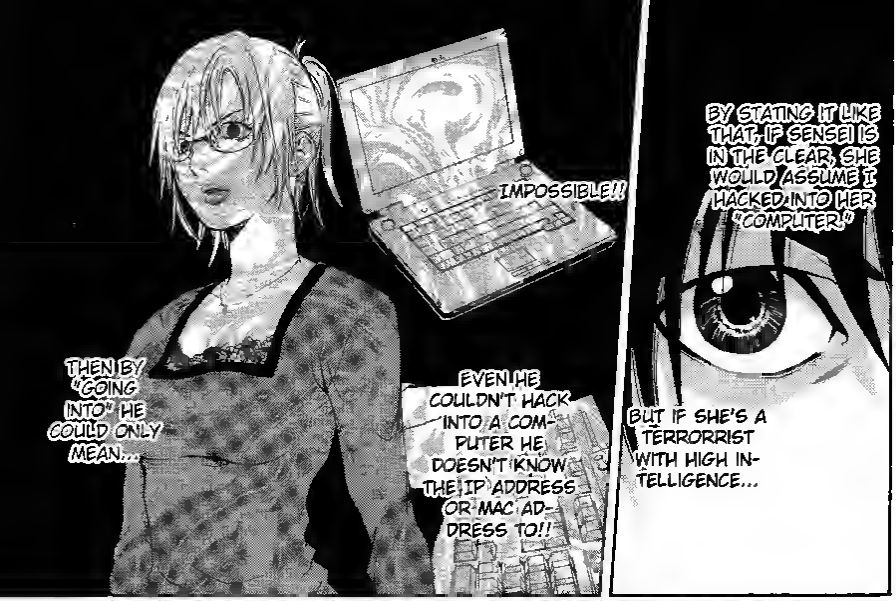

LET'S SEE, HOLD ON.
IT SHOULD BE IN MY AGENDA..

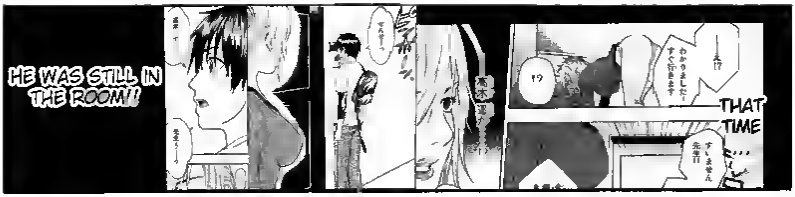
YOU WERE ...
AT THE LIBRARY?
I WAS AT THE PICTURE BOOK LIBRARY NEAR HERE.
AND I CHECKED OUT THE MOTHER GOOSE BOOK.

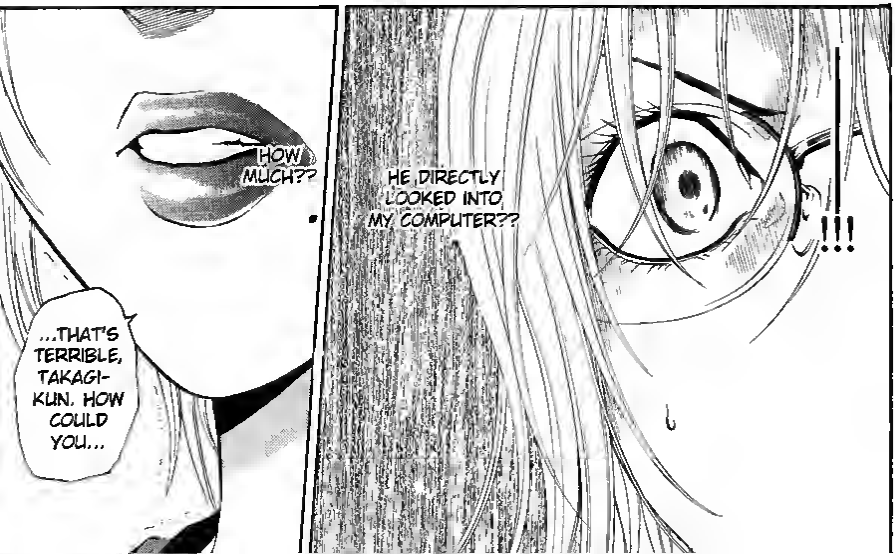
UMM, OH THAT'S RIGHT!
I WAS AT THE LIBRARY.
OF COURSE, I ALREADY HAVE AN ANSWER.
ACT LIKE I'M TRYING TO REMEMBER...
BUT UNLIKE CHRISTMAS, IT WOULD BE ODD FOR ME TO KNOW WHAT I DID ON SUCH A MEANINGLESS DAY...

OH, THEN I COULDN'T PROVE MY ALIBI UNTIL MONDAY.
FUHFUH, THAT'S HOW IT IS.
THAT'S TERRIBLE.
YOU COULD TRY LOOKING IT UP WITH YOUR SUPER HACKING ABILITY.
OH, BUT IT'S CLOSED TODAY FOR THE WEEK-ENDS.
WE COULD GO CHECK RIGHT...
I THINK A SMALL DISTRICT LIBRARY WOULD HAVE THEIR COMPUTER TURNED OFF ON WEEKENDS.
... I COULDN'T
IT'S GOING TO BE A DREADFUL WEEKEND.
AND BY MONDAY, YOU'LL BE...
.....

DON'T WORRY!!
NO MATTER WHAT ALIBI YOU BROUGHT UP, I ONLY HAVE ONE ANSWER!
I ALREADY KNOW.
THE TRUTH IS...
... WHAT ?
!!
WHAT?!
YOU SEE...
I ALREADY "WENT INTO" YOUR COMPUTER TO SEE WHAT WAS IN IT.


IMPOSSIBLE!!
THEN BY "GOING INTO" HE COULD ONLY MEAN...
EVEN IF HE COULDN'T HACK INTO A COMPUTER HE DOESN'T KNOW THE IP ADDRESS OR MAC ADDRESS TO!!
BY STATING IT LIKE THAT, IF SENSEI IS IN THE CLEAR, SHE WOULD ASSUME I HACKED INTO HER "COMPUTER."
BUT IF SHE'S A TERRORRIST WITH HIGH INTELLIGENCE...


HE WAS STILL IN THE ROOM!!
THAT TIME...


HOW MUCH??
...THAT'S TERRIBLE, TAKAGI-KUN. HOW COULD YOU...
HE DIRECTLY LOOKED INTO MY COMPUTER??
!!!

AND IF SHE ISN'T IN THE CLEAR...!
INSIDE YOUR COMPUTER.
I FOUND THE HISTORY FOR JANUARY 7TH.
BUT SHE'D FORGIVE ME FOR HACKING.
IF SHE FOUND OUT I SEARCHED THROUGH HER STUFF, SHE'D NEVER TRUST ME EVEN IF SHE'S IN THE CLEAR.
WHAT?
BUT NOW I KNOW YOUR ALIBI FROM YOUR STATEMENT EARLIER.
I'M TERRIBLY SORRY! I WON'T DO IT AGAIN!
AT THE LEAST, HE ALREADY KNOWS I WASN'T IN JAPAN!!
--HE GOT ME! I CONNECTED THAT LAPTOP IN VLADIVOSTOK THAT DAY--!!
SO I JUST WANTED TO HEAR WHAT YOU WERE DOING
AND WHERE YOU WERE DOING IT FROM YOUR MOUTH!
MEANING I LIED TO HIM!!
I COULDN'T POSSIBLY "CHECK OUT A PICTURE BOOK AT THE LIBRARY ON JANUARY 7" WHEN I WASN'T IN JAPAN---
AND WHAT?
WHERE ...

I LIED TO HIM, BECAUSE
I'M WITH THE ENEMY!!!
I WAS IN VLADIVOSTOK,
TESTING THE VIRUS ON A HUMAN.
...

I DIDN'T THINK YOU HAD LOOKED THROUGH MY COMPUTER.
---ACTUALLY, NO.
WHAT?
I HAVEN'T SEEN ANYTHING YET.
AT LEAST INSIDE YOUR COM-PUTER.
I DIDN'T HAVE TIME.
WHAT?? THEN WHY DID YOU SUDDENLY BRING UP THE ALIBI TALK...
---OF COURSE,
I WAS AFTER "THIS."

HE SUDDENLY BROUGHT UP THE TALK OF "CHRISTMAS MASSACRE,"
HOW IT'S "HOT" TODAY,
AND WHY I COULDN'T FIND THE REMOTE IN THIS ROOM
WAS ALL FOR THIS?
OUT-SIDE !!!

HOW IT ---
...
SO THAT'S...

THAT'S HOW IT IS!!

OTOYA!!
ARE YOU OKAY?
YEAH...!! HOW ABOUT YOU?

SORRY.
DON'T APOLO-GIZE.

YOU OVERDID IT.
THAT MAKES TWO OF US!!
I JUST COINCIDENTALLY SAW YOU THERE WHEN SHE WAS GETTING COFFEE.
SO I PRESSED ON REDIAL TO CALL YOU IMMEDIATELY.
--THAT SURPRISED ME.
BUT YOU IMMEDIATELY UNDERSTAND WHAT I WAS GOING FOR.
I THOUGHT YOU WANTED TO LET ME HEAR THE CONVERSATION, BUT YOU OPENED UP TO HER ABOUT HOW YOU SUSPECTED HER...
RUSSIAN'S CHRISTMAS IS ON JANUARY 7TH.
--- THAT WAS SO SCARY.

YEAH!!
FINALLY...

BUT
FINALLY.
WE GOT SOME-
ONE
TO LEAD US TO
THEM!!

All Of Them

Scanlations

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TRANSLATION:
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The Creeping Shadow
File 17 忍びよる影
---Sensei...
really was...
a terrorist
huh?
Y-Yeah
--Don't be too discouraged, Fujimaru.

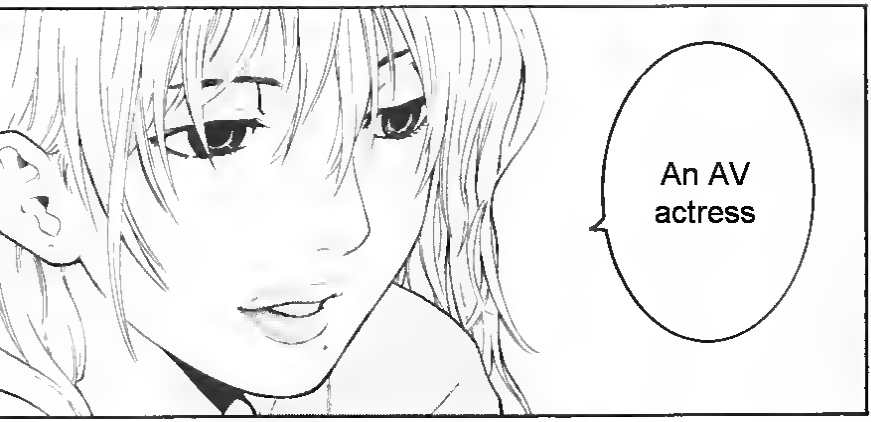
Yes...
With this timing, to lose her would be... a large blow to us.
-- I see.
Maya was...
if Maya leaks anything about the plan...
--But
You as well as your other comrades are in good health.
It's all right...
Yes
---- "K"...
Okay...
You don't have anything to worry about.
You must believe that.
If she should tell anything to THIRD-I, it means she has some purpose for it.
Turn towards "Bloody Monday."
Believe in me and...
that person's absolute will and act.

Kaa... Us and Third-i... We sure lost face, huh? Oi
For us to be beat out by a high school boy
Well, Fujimaru-kun is Vice Chief Takagi's son afterall --
And Kujou-kun's bravery could be considered a "grandfather's inheritence," right?
Don't be saying such carefree things!!
Ow
Geez!
It was also dangerous and they dove in without looking back, you know?
As an adult, it's our place to scold them!!
Oh no For the younger Sayu cch to say that kind of thing to an old man
Ah it's because I'm the same age
Well... it's true that we were saved work, but
It was a relief they contacted us immediately after confirming the "enemy."
---Well, yeah
From here on, it's not a kid's job to do.

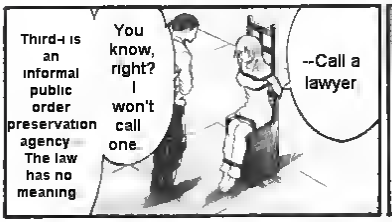
It's an adult's time.

Note: S from SM. Sweet st. M–masochist

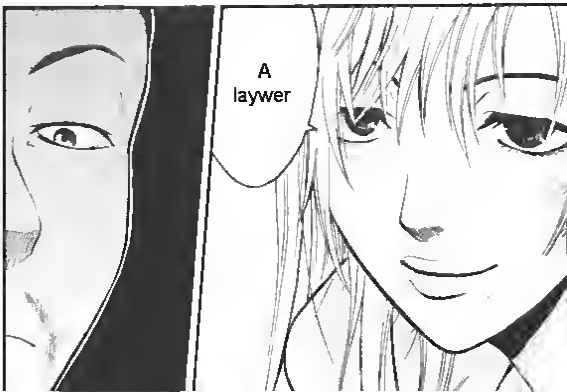
Just who are you?
Toudai graduate... MIT Graduate School graduate... All your personal history is rubbish.
From the graduation certificate, from everything. For you-name-it university, the documents were all ingenious forgeries.


An AV actress

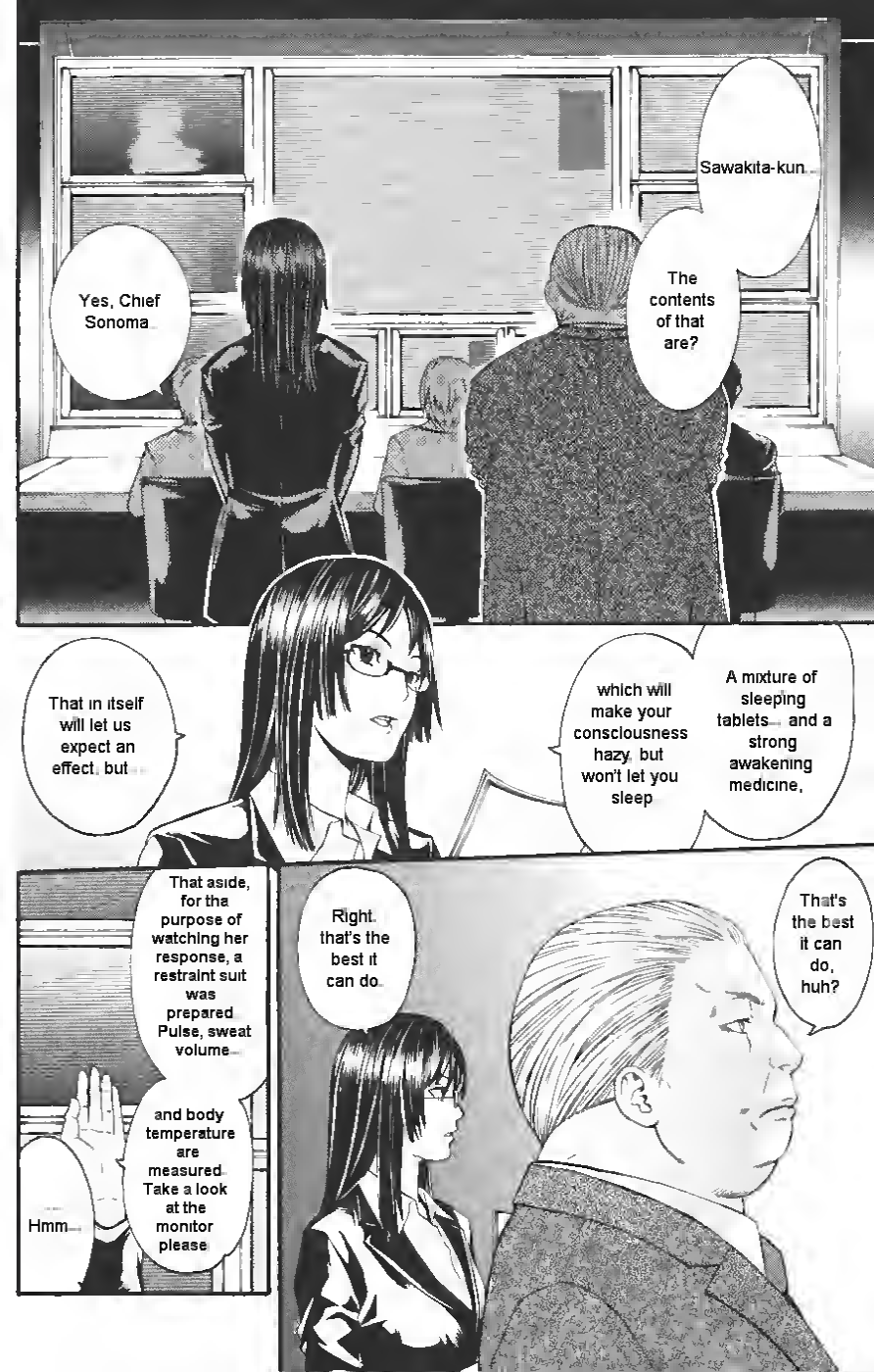
Orihara Maya is a stage name
.....
はぁ あっ



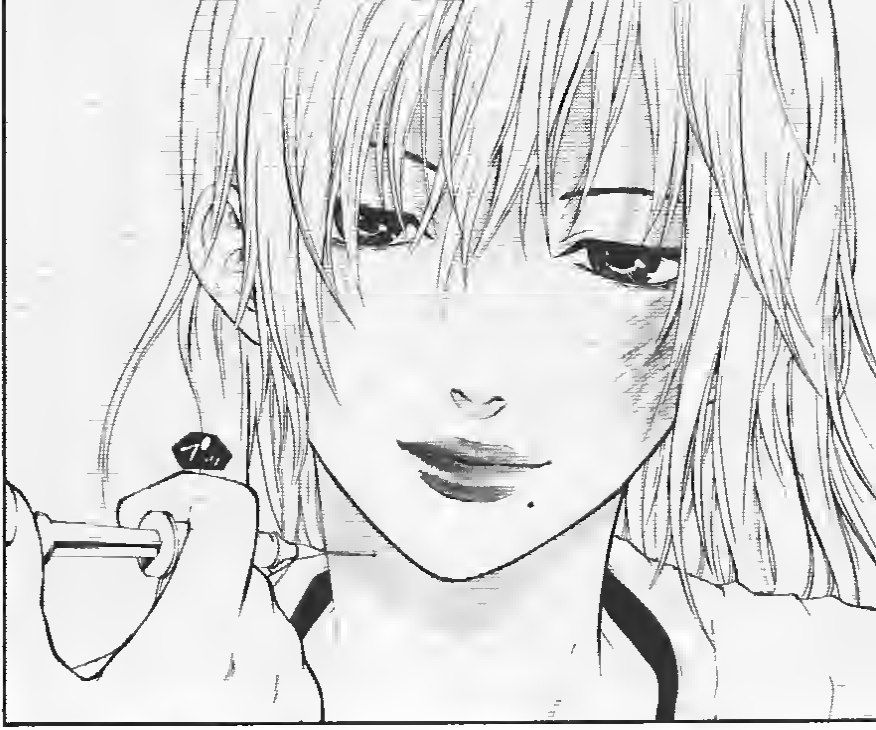
Note: Oji-san = old man. He is referring to himself.



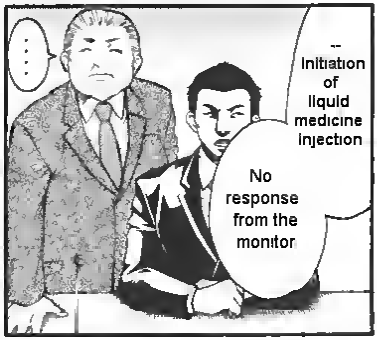
Truth serum
or something
2 days huh
For others, it takes 1 week
Even that is considered fast.
Hey!
I don't know anything besides these guys planning something.
Wouldn't it be better to use a method that will make her confess quickly?
Note. kusu = small laugh
kusu
You said something real classic huh?
Things like truth serum... The reality is, at best, it's a medicine for dimming consciousness, stealing judgement, and guiding a confession
To have magical expectations from that kind of thing sure is terribly naive thinking
Heee— how well infirmed, Maya-chan
Well then --
How 'bout testing it out?


Sawakita-kun...
The contents of that are?
Yes, Chief Sonoma...
A mixture of sleeping tablets... and a strong awakening medicine,
which will make your consciousness hazy, but won't let you sleep
That in itself will let us expect an effect, but...
That's the best it can do, huh?
Right, that's the best it can do...
That aside, for the purpose of watching her response, a restraint suit was prepared. Pulse, sweat volume...
and body temperature are measured. Take a look at the monitor please.
Hmm...

...Nothing much is changing.
There is absolutely no disturbance, even from the suggestion of using a powerful truth serum
Either the "trump card" that supports her heart is left...
A professional who received harsh training, or
she has a very firm "conviction"...
huh?
I think both of them can be thought to be a possibility



Begin the questioning.
--Roger


--Initiation of liquid medicine injection
No response from the monitor
. . .

--Also, Houshou-kun,
I need to talk to you...

...All right.

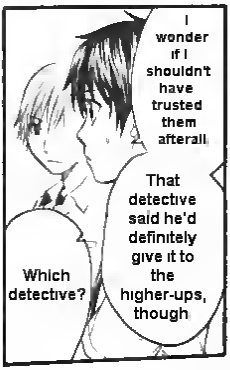
--Yup, as you can see!
I'm already completely fine!!
For the moment, it's not the time for school, so you'll be living here, but...
I'll come everyday, so don't worry.
I got it, so settle down! Okay?
...Okay, Onii-chan
Eh? Really?
Haruka!! Isn't your response different from mine? Isn't it?
STOP!!
What's wrong, Onii-chan?
Me and Asada will also come again, Haruka-chan
Really?
Thanks, Otoya-san!
Houjou-san!
Excuse me

Houshou-san
How is... Orihara Maya?
Thank you very much
!
Hey!!
You sure look healthy, Haruka-chan!
ガラッ
!?
Over here— Can you two come here?
Can I borrow you two for a minute?
!
For the time being
the questioning of Orihara Maya has started
Is that so

But it won't be that simple to get her to talk.
Even Kanou-san, who's a pro, didn't say to expect results.
More importantly, I was summoned by Chief Sonoma.
Chief Sonoma... he's that Enma-sama right?
So you're Falcon huh? My my. I'm beaten~ Even with this growth, you're still a kid right?~
You can't do that anymore you know?
Okay...
Right, the face alone is bodhisattva Enma-sama.
Note: In Buddhist mythology, Enma is the ruler of Hades.
I was told this by the chief but...
He said that from now on, you two should take care to not talk about the "Christmas Massacre" video or the virus
in front of anyone besides me.
Of course, this means not in front of the other members either
!!
Does that mean-- It can't be...
"Don't trust other people." Is that it?
Somehow, it seems it's been determined that there's a spy in Third-I
I don't want to believe it either
and I also worry about how I'm supposed to deal with a state of emergency when I can't trust my teammates.
.....

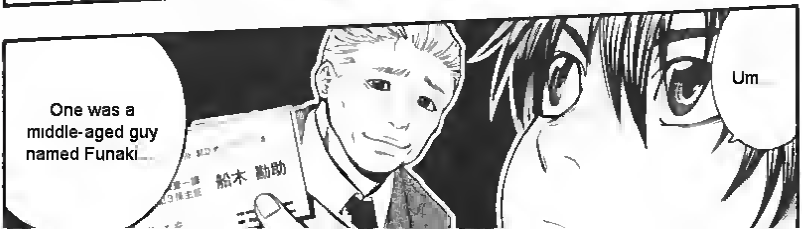
It's about Aoi-san and the others, right?
Don't tell them too strongly, please
I'll have to tell them to keep quiet too...
But... the newspaper club has three more members
who, in presence of Onhara-sensei watched that tragic video...

Aoi... Last night,
when she saw people dying for real
she was incredibly frightened, so...


I wonder if I shouldn't have trusted them afterall
That detective said he'd definitely give it to the higher-ups, though
Which detective?

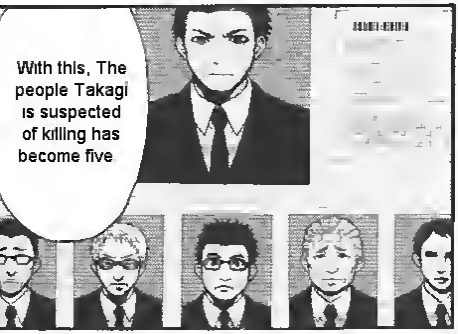
For the detective that came to the hospital to lose the "Christmas Massacre" file...
Yeah...
Strange, right. That kind of report didn't come in, though

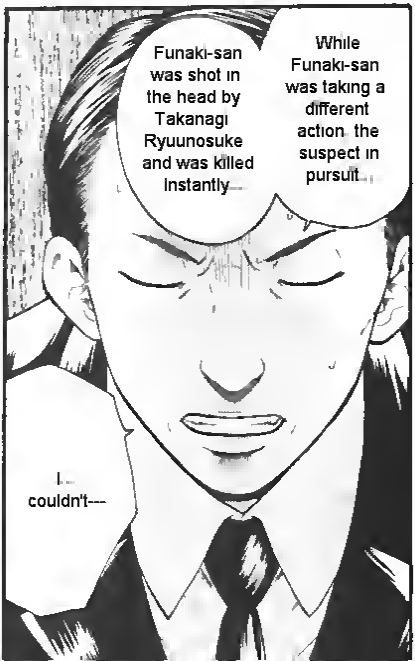
Okay, I'll be careful
--Ah!!
That's right... Also...


Um...
One was a middle-aged guy named Funaki...
給木 勘助

もう一人は―
The other one was ―
Good work... Investigator Iba.
--No...

Investigator Iba... you don't need to feel down


With this, The people Takagi is suspected of killing has become five


While Funaki-san was taking a different action, the suspect in pursuit...
Funaki-san was shot in the head by Takanagi Ryuunosuke and was killed instantly...
I... couldn't---

this murderous demon must be apprehended immediately!!
For the sake of preventing more victims,
The investigative council will reassemble!
立川水道設備(株)
!!
Okay ♥ Darling
I'm off, Maria ♥
–Then

There sure is a large group going today...
Have a safe trip, Darling!
Hahaha, don't be shy. You can eventually do it too!
Geez --
In front of your son and the workers, you do THIS?...
Who would!!
It's like--
a bad omen or something...
I don't like it, you know. Dad going to there...
Ah... that work, huh?
Papa's company is going to THAT subcontracted construction work that they always go to...
Today is you know
What could it be...
Ah!!
It's from Fujimaru -kun.
I know that, but...
You can't say that kind of thing. How terrible!
Work is work! Important Work!
Hello?
チャーラーラ♪ ラララ♪

--Just now
they left according to schedule.
How is it?
K

Bloody Monday v03c17 [SLP]

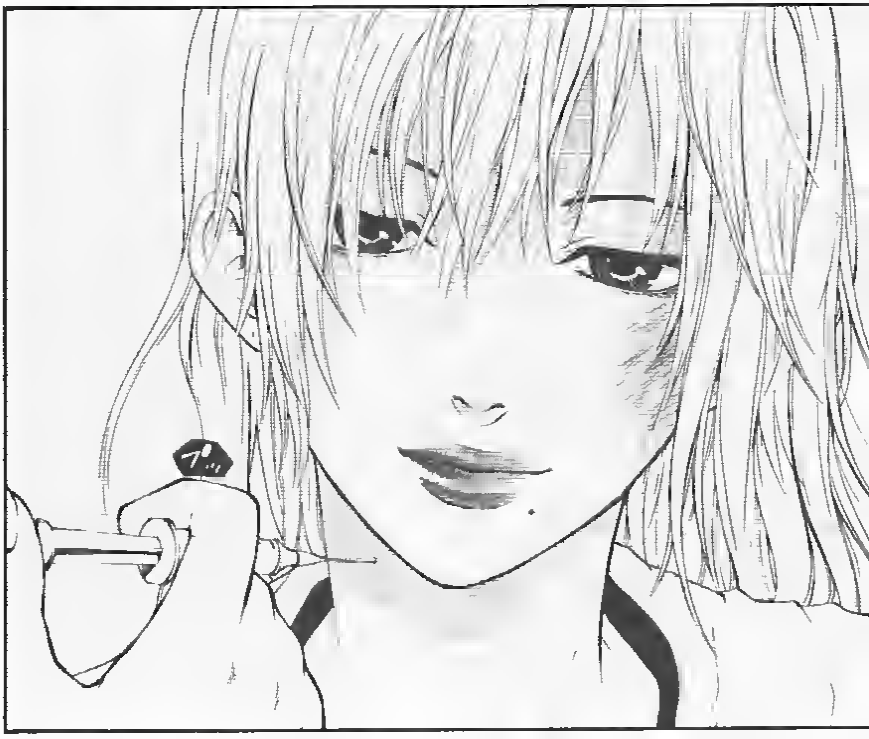
S.L.P. Goal: Rough scanlation that emphasizes accurate and fairly literal translations

Bloody Monday is 9 volumes on-going, yet the scanlations are only at the start of volume 03. I'm not sure why this series isn't more popular with scanlators, but here's why I scanlated c17:

Since so many volumes were out, so few volumes were scanlated, and scanlation activity for this series seemed pretty inactive, I was ready to give up and try reading it raw. Then I realized reading it raw is annoying when I want to go back a page (or even a chapter), cuz re-TLing everything is a pain in the ass. So I figured I'd use Fugu's GMAO program to make some quick scanlations for myself. Then I figured I may as well release it for everyone else who's waiting.

Turns out making it release-worthy took a lot more time to do... time I don't really have. So I'm not sure if I'm gonna do it again. But if there are any others out there with sufficient japanese skill that want to take a crack at quick one-man scanlations, google "Fugu GMAO" and give it a shot. Otherwise, I hope the other scanlation groups get on this.

I don't have anything else to say, so here's an image to take up the whitespace ;)



--Just now
they left according to schedule.
『K』
The 2 Files File 18
2つのファイル
Hello?
How is it?

You have no hesitation right, Maria?
I see.
Next is the long awaited "vaccination"...

as a wife,
as a mother...
--Of course not.
This one year... For the sake of a successful mission, I infiltrated

--Listen, Hide...
I want you to listen calmly, but
Hm?
How do you say it, um... Fujimaru-kun is really amazing...
I heard from Mako-chan, you know.
Sorry for the wait
Raul
I'll play with you later, okay?
"The Christmas Massacre"
The one who caused it...
was Orihara-sensei.

--What? Sensei did?
What kinda funny joke are you saying?
I'm serious... A little while ago... me and Otoya
delivered her to Third-i.

If it's spread this far, just having seen that video shouldn't get you targeted.
But, ya know!!
But...
If it's about that video, it circulated to the upper stratum of Third-i, and just in case I handed it over to the police too.
I mean, she was that kind...
I really can't--
Are... you serious?
I can't believe it.
!!
Then, doesn't it mean the other side knows we saw the video..!?
W-Wait a minute!
No... That's...
--Ah
I'm sorry...
My fault... Hide
for getting you involved
Fujimaru -kun
I'll be fine...
right?
.....

Otoya... How are Aoi and Anko?
Those two said they definitely won't retreat.
At times like this the strong ones are the women afterall, hnh?
--Yeah, you'll be fine...
She...
Even though she received such a big shock...
It backfired.
Asada said she'd join up with us soon enough.

I'll say this just in case, but I don't intend to retreat either
because I can't forgive terrorism.
...I see. If you're the one saying it
then the me right now will seem like a god.
What exaggerat on
Then return the 500 yen I lent you three months ago
You sure are a cheap god
We can't do anything but leave Orihara Maya to Third-I...
Houshou-san nailed it into us to not do anything dangerous but
--What should we do now?
Do you have an idea?
--Let's look for my dad
Just one!

生物科学研究所
Biological Research Institute
……
Muna-kata
Takagi-kun
--I've been waiting
ﾚﾞｷｭﾝ
生物科学研究所研究員
宗方 瞳
Over here
Quickly
……
ﾅﾛﾘ
If it's today since it's Saturday, no one is here yet
Even the people who do urgent research aren't here

It was also in Shikimura's room...
--How nostalgic
The four of us...
were always together during university, right?
--But
It's already been over 5 years since Kanako passed away, yet
--even Shikimura-kun...
コト...
Thanks Munakata
I'll make a copy immediately
This is the file delivered from Shikimura-kun

--That is?
"Okita File"-- It's data that was entrusted to me by my killed superior.
Do you know the contents of this file?
No, not in detail...
but "this" that came back from Shikimura has a memo.
...
then we can oppose the virus!!
If we have "this" and the "Shikimura File"...
You should also take care--
ウィーン
I was given this "Okita File" with the consideration of the possibility that the enemy would snatch it away.
This is what Shikimura sent to you.
That's why the enemy must not learn of its contents.
Here... it's the copy!
But that Shikimura -kun... why did he send it to someone like me...
Mm...

Who could it be...
Even though no one's supposed to come today...
.....
!?
Shh!
Hide!
Wha-
Munakata!!

Kyaa!!

!?
フッ
!!
……

Dammit I was naive
Was I tailed...!?
Moreover, with him inching closer and closer, we'll be cornered
Most likely... the sniper that shot Shikimura!!
Wh...
What was that?
Shikimura -kun's...!!
!!

相当な訓練を受け
He's received a considerable degree of training
and experienced much carnage...
多くの修羅場を経験し・・
--How troubling
It's a pro that's turned his job of killing into a hobby...!!
No way!!
It would've been fine even if you didn't come, you know?
Aoi

But... there might be a clue, right? Kujou-san!
It's Fumaru's idea
Asada...
There's no guarantee that Ryuunosuke-san will be here, you knew
We might be able to meet Ryuunosuke-sensei right?
I couldn't just sit still...
About Detective Funaki, the one you handed the video file to...
Fujimaru-kun?
!!
Hello? Houshou-san!?

That can't be!!
Moreover, the criminal is once again said to be Dad...
Dammit...
But, why even the detective...
Did something happen again?
Sorry for the trouble... I understand.
– Okay...
.....!!
That detective... Funaki-san
she said he was killed...
It would trouble them if it was analyzed. Is "something" hidden there...!?
That video file didn't just have the video of the massacre...
Was it for the purpose of snatching the video file he received from Fujimaru...?
!!
...
I get the feeling we're cornering them bit by bit...
Somehow...
ぎゅ
...How terrible

Ah...
Aah...
--Hey...
Let's go quickly! It's better to hurry...!!
---Huh?
Well... I mean, I don't even know their contact address...
You should have got in touch with that person before we came...
It won't come to you randomly...
Seriously?
Hm... What to do...
Hey, Fujimaru
There's no one at the reception desk either... What now?
If we come here, we'll figure it out...

---Huh?

However, it doesn't look to be the case that no one's around
Look, over there
The lights in that 3rd floor room just went out!

What?
A key wasn't needed!? How insecure!
...it opened

Hm... but we can't do anything about not being able to get...

Right
Excuse the intrusion...
Really sorry---
--Let's try going in
If there are people, we may be able to ask for the contact address of Ryuunosuke-san's old friend

Biological Research Institute
生物科学研究所
For the reception desk please go around to the back
受付は裏手にお回りください。

Bloody Monday v03c18 [SLP]

S.L.P. Goal: Rough scanlation that emphasizes accurate and fairly literal translations

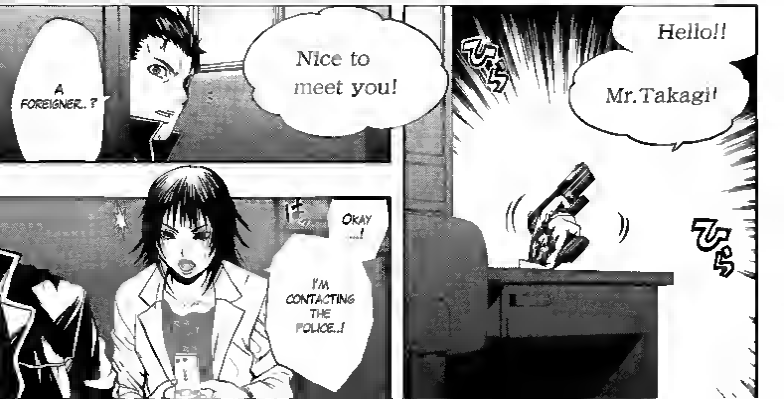
Last chapter, I said I wasn't sure if I'd continue doing it cuz it took a lot more time than expected. Well, I skimmed a bit of c18 and the speech bubbles had way less text in them, so it looked like it'd be faster to do, which it was... the TL part at least. Still all those annoying double merged bubbles, which are much slower to work with than a single bubble (at least in GMAO). Anyway since c18 looked easier, I started it a bit to test, and before I knew it, I had gotten through most of the chapter... and the sun was up. I don't want to do that ever again. Anyway, here it is.

Also, I was contacted by a scanlation group telling me they were active on Bloody Monday. I'm not sure how well they'll follow up on that claim, but for now, I think I will stop.

Again, I will advertise Fugu's GMAO program, which is great for solo TLers looking to whip up some fast one-man scanlations. I also invite other groups to start off where I left off.

As far as whitespace images go, this chapter's selection was much sparcer. This is the best I could find =\

I HAVE 13 GUNSHOTS REMAINING...
HE'S OVER THERE, AND HAS ENOUGH EQUIPMENT TO TURN US INTO..
MINCE MEAT..
File 19


Nice to meet you!
A FOREIGNER..?
Hello!!
Mr.Takagi!
OKAY ..!
I'M CONTACTING THE POLICE..!

.. My mobile won't connect..!
!
Which lets him disrupt your mobile phone signal?
In the music hall he's using a device
Maybe.
Why!? It always worked before
What's the matter, Mister Tagaki!?
Let's talk!!
The telephone lines. Have also been attacked!
...No way
Mina-
I guess it's to be expected, right?
Hello?

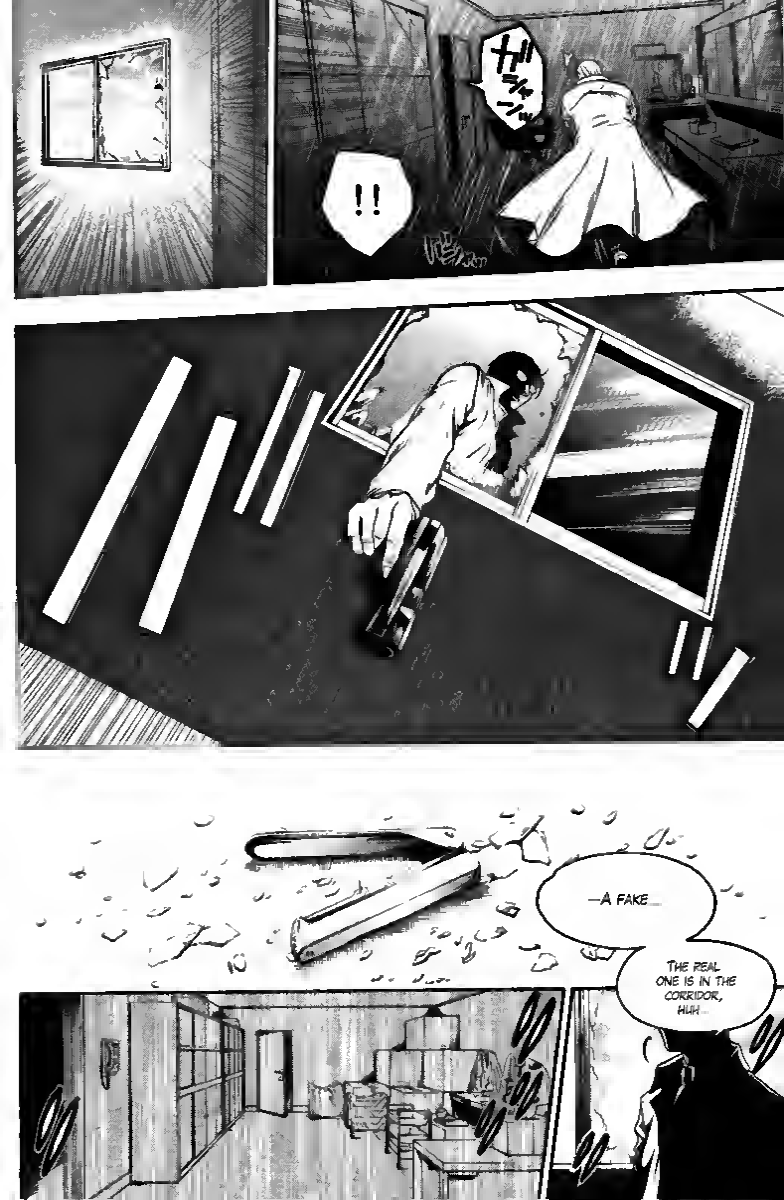
HURRY UP, LET'S TALK!
IF THIS SITUATION CONTINUES WE WON'T BE ABLE TO TALK, RIGHT?
!!
I MUST CALM DOWN!! I HAVE 13 BULLETS STILL. THERE'S A NON-COMBATANT HERE
THIS IS NOT THE SORT OF SITUATION WHEN I CAN JUN FAIR AND SQUARE..!!
JUST LIKE MISTER SHIKUMURA
--SILENT FOREVER
RIGHT..
!!!
...HUH?
--WHAT SHOULD I DO..!?

IN THIS PLACE?
IT LOOKS LIKE WE'RE OUT OF RANGE HERE
...MINE TOO
IT SHOULD BE JUST BE TRANSMITTING WIRELESS LAN
HMM-
AH-
BUT THIS IS A RESEARCH INSTITUTE ISN'T IT?
HSDPA (3.5G HIGH SPEED) AND PHS ARE BOTH NO GOOD
...DAMMIT, SERIOUSLY!?
WHAT A JUNKIE.
IF I DON'T CONNECT WITH THE INTERNET I CAN'T CALM DOWN.
OUR PHS HAS NO RECEPTION AND IS OUT OF RANGE, BUT THE WIRELESS LAN IS STILL WORKING.
DON'T YOU FEEL SOME SENSE OF INCONGRUITY?
MMM... YEAH, IT'S ALRIGHT
MY COMPUTER'S PICKING UP THE ELECTRONIC WAVES. JUST... TRYING TO GET THROUGH THE PASSWORD FOR THE SECURITY KEY... OKAY, DONE!
WELL?
FUJIMARU.

Could it be..
A terrorist?
Because it's a research institute laboratory, they should be using a shield to protect their network from electronic waves.
Wait...if that's the case, Lan shouldn't be working!
!!
What?!
Why's that, Kujou-san?
Terrorists, in the case of a surprise attack.
The first thing they do is sever the means to communicate with the outside world
R..really?
You sure know a lot...
!
Now that I think about it...it was weird that there wasn't a guard
Let's go outside right now and get in contact with-

IT'S THE FLOOR ABOVE!!
AOI!
YOU GO BACK!
WAIT...
FUJIM-
WH WHAT!?
.....!!
IT CAN'T BE..
--GUNSHOTS
-HAHA!
THIS YOUR ANSWER, MISTER?
YOU HAD BETTER MAKE GOOD USE OF YOUR BULLETS, RIGHT?
WHAT SORT OF PLAN WAS THAT?
TRYING TO ATTRACT OTHER PEOPLE BY JUST SHOOTING IS USELESS!
ALREADY THE GUARD HERE--

!!
NOW!
WAS THE FIRE ALARM SET OFF FROM THE HEAT OF THE BULLET?
AS EXPECTED FROM ONE WHO USED TO BE IN THE SPECIAL FORCES...
HE'S NOT LIKE THE USUAL BAMBI..!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!!
—A FAKE...
THE REAL ONE IS IN THE CORRIDOR, HUH...

HA HA HA HA!
SHIT

DAMN !
BUT IF HE ATTACKES UP TO US AT THIS DISTANCE HE CAN SHOOT AGAIN
WE CAN ESCAPE THROUGH THE INTERIOR STAIRS-
--HAHAHA!
I WONDER HOW MANY BULLETS YOU HAVE LEFT NOW?
IF YOU REALLY WANT TO DIE THAT BADLY I'LL GIVE YOU DEATH WITH PLEASURE
BUT BEFORE THAT, HOW DOES A LITTLE CHAT SOUND?
I DON'T WANT TO LISTEN TO A TERRORIST'S STORY!
IT'S A SIMPLE TRANSACTION!
OH!
YOU, MISTER, WHO POSSESSES THE 2 FILES, HAND THEM OVER TO ME, OKAY?
AT LAST, YOU TALKED!
THEREUPON, I GUARANTEE YOU TWO YOUR LIVES.

DO THE RIGHT THING...
THOUGH THERE IS NO HELPING NATURE...!!
CRAP AS SOON AS HE FINISHES HIS BUSINESS HE'LL IMMEDIATELY KILL US
THAT WAS...
THAT TYPE OF HUMAN'S EYES...!!
!!!

DAD...?
--YOU...!!
FUJI...
MARU...
DAAAD!!

!!!
STOP FUJIMARU!!!
DA... D...?

FUJI-MARU!!
!!
A-AOI...
THANK YOU.
!!
RYUNO-SUKE--SENSEI!!
I TOLD YOU SHOULD GO BA-
YOU!!
……

YOU ARE.
NOT INJURED-
YOU TOO, DAD...
FUJIMARU...
I'M GLAD YOU'RE SAF-
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!!!
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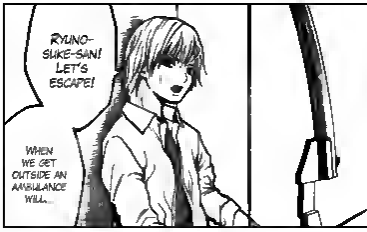
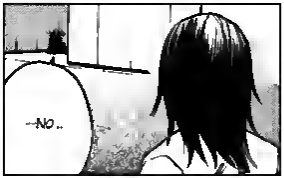
DAD!
YOU EVEN BROUGHT OTOYA-KUN AND AOI-CHAN HERE
GURGH...
SENSEI!! YOU MUSTN'T MOVE!!
FUJIMARU... WHY DID...YOU COME!?
I TOLD YOU NOT TO MOVE AROUND!

I CAN'T LEAVE WITHOUT HER. SHE'S THE REASON WHY I'M HERE !!


RYUNO-SUKE-SAN! LET'S ESCAPE!
WHEN WE GET OUTSIDE AN AMBULANCE WILL..


--NO..

IS HARUKA SAFE?
FUJIMARU..

I SEE--
..YEAH
HOUSHOU-SAN IS WATCHING FOR TROUBLE

YOU KIDS ESCAPE
WHEN YOU'RE OUTSIDE, CALL THE POLICE
IT'...
DAD!
--SHIT...
I'M THE ONLY ONE LEFT WHO CAN SAVE MUNAKATA...
DAD,
IT'S OKAY WITH YOU IF I BRING HIM DOWN, RIGHT?
FUJIMARU?
FUJI-MARU? WHAT ARE YOU ?

THOUGH I DON'T KNOW IF HE'S A PROFESSION OR A TERRORIST
BUT I'LL SHOW YOU =FALCON'S= STYLE OF FIGHTING GUYS LIKE HIM!!
DON'T SAY SUCH STUPID THINGS! HURRY UP AND ESCA—
AOI!
!!

I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK YOU
..WILL YOU DO IT?

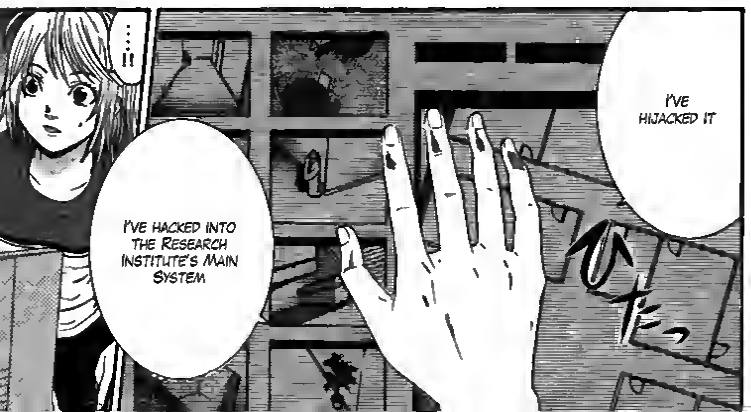
I'LL DO IT!!
ANYTHING YOU SAY!!
OTOYA TOO...

THERE IS A PAPER THIN DIFFERENCE BETWEEN BEING BRAVE AND BEING STUPID
--ARE YOU SERIOUS, FUJIMARU ...?
OF COURSE
--WHICH ONE DO YOU THINK WE ARE?
I'LL UNDERSTAND SOON ENOUGH...
RIGHT?

HACKING THE CRIME PREVENTION SYSTEM WAS A SUCCESS—!
I ABSOLUTELY WILL NOT-
LET YOU ESCAPE!!

HACKING THE CRIME PREVENTION SYSTEM
WAS A SUCCESS--!
I ABSOLUTELY WILL NOT--
LET YOU ESCAPE!!

THIS IS AN IMAGE FROM THE PREVENTION OF CRIME CAMERAS INSIDE THIS RESEARCH INSTITUTE BUILDING
FUJIMARU... THIS IMAGE IS?


...!!
I'VE HACKED INTO THE RESEARCH INSTITUTE'S MAIN SYSTEM
I'VE HIJACKED IT

As expected of the Ultra-Fine Research Institute, huh. They're leading in the latest and newest systems..
-Seriously!? They're this advanced...?
Then with this ..!!
Don't hack it too much
.....
I can't win if I don't get inside it
Hacking.
Hacking...
And we're in!
I'll--

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I'VE BECOME...
THE =BRAINS= OF THIS LABORATORY.

WITH THIS INFRARED SENSOR, I CAN BEGIN AUTOMATICALLY TRACKING HIM...
.. TARGET LOCKED ON!
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!?
THE SHUTTERS FELL DOWN ?
NO... THEY'VE BEEN LOWERED!!

--FUJIMARU!!
WHAT DID YOU DO!?
THIS ISN'T SOMETHING YOU CAN HANDLE!
HURRY UP AND GO OUTSIDE--
IT IS NOT ENOUGH TO JUST RUN AWAY!
FUJI---
--OTOYA-KUN..
STOP IT. IT'S FUTILE.
DAD
I WANT YOU TO WATCH.
!
BECAUSE WE CAN NEVER FORGIVE TERRORISTS FOR THEIR ACTIONS.

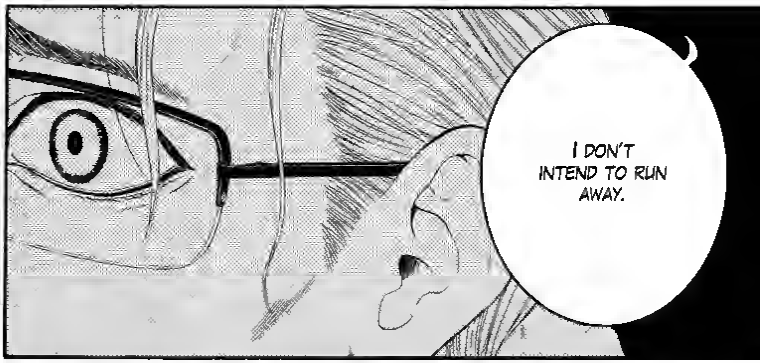
I'M GOING TO PROVE TO YOU THAT I AM...
=THIRD-I='S RYUNOSUKE TAKAGI'S SON!!
.....
CALBIS
--KUKUKU
COMPLETE DARKNESS, HUH...

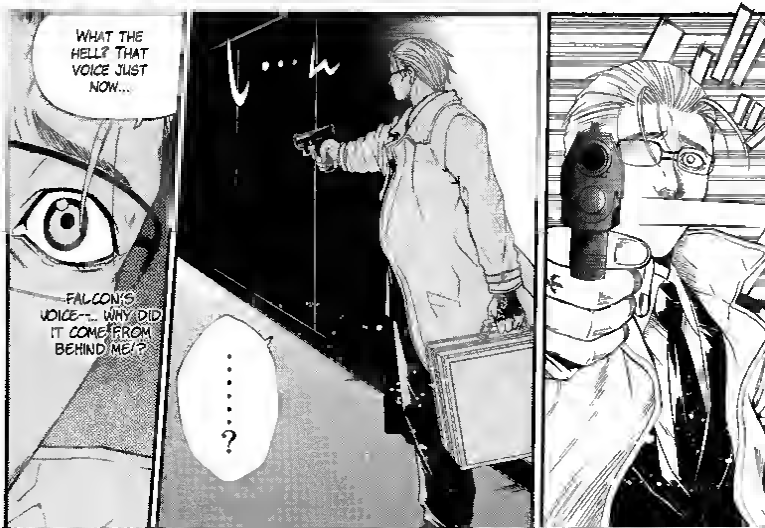
-HOW INTERESTING...
IT'S A TACTIC THAT I CAN'T DO SINCE I'M AN ANALOG.
THIS MUST BE THE WORK OF FALCON...
YOU CAN'T SEE ANYTHING HERE EITHER?
WELL THEN,
IT REALLY IS PITCH-BLACK...
-HMM VERY INTERESTING, FALCON...!!!
—WHAT?
I'VE BECOME THE EYES OF YOU TWO
DON'T WORRY

It's pitch-black, yet this camera has still managed to film them...?
It's because this is an infrared type of surveillance camera.
Over there is total darkness,
But we can still see everything perfectly fine here!
I'm going, Fujimaru!
Firstly, saving her—
To get Munakatta-san here I'll...
--Otoya, wait!
That guy... he's been quietly creeping closer!

IT IS TO BE EXPECTED
ANYONE WHO HAS HAD EXPERIENCE IN THE SPECIAL FORCES WOULD BE ACCUSTOMED TO FIGHTING IN THE DARK...
DAD!
IS THAT KILLER MOVING JUST BY SOUND AND SIXTH SENSE?
IF THEY MAKE EVEN THE SLIGHTEST SOUND IN THE LOBBY, THEY'LL GET SHOT
NEXT, HIS HEARING AND HIS SENSE OF DIRECTION...
IF I DO THAT...
ALL RIGHT
FIRST, I'VE ALREADY TAKEN AWAY HIS "SIGHT".
NO MATTER HOW GOOD HE IS, HE'LL BE JUST LIKE A DARUMA DOLL!

DID YOU THINK THAT IT WAS POSSIBLE TO ESCAPE FROM ME IF IT WAS DARK?
I WONDER WHAT ARE YOU ALL WHISPERING ABOUT?
-KUKUKU

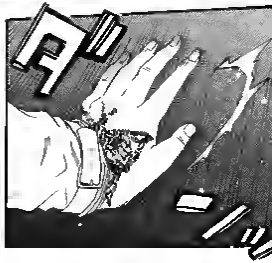

I DON'T INTEND TO RUN AWAY.


WHAT THE HELL? THAT VOICE JUST NOW...
FALCON'S VOICE--... WHY DID IT COME FROM BEHIND ME!?
.....?

Freeze!!
!?
"...THAT VOICE JUST NOW! WASN'T A JAPANESE PERSON'S...!!"
!
AHA HAHA HA!

!?

--WHAT...
--WHAT THE HELL...!?
...UGH.

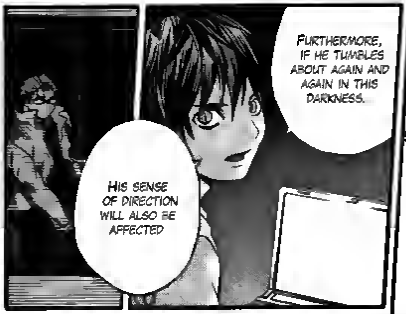


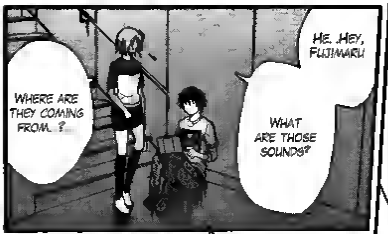
CALM DOWN... I'VE ALREADY CUT OFF ALL COMMUNICATION WITH THE OUTSIDE.
ALTHOUGH I HADN'T PLANNED ON FALCON COMING HERE...
MY STRATEGY IS ALMOST PERFECT
IT MUST BE PERFECT...
GYAHAHAHA!!
I FOOOUND YOU!
KUKUKU!!
I'M GOING!
VICTORY!
GOOOOOOOO!
IT WAS A JOKE!
I WILL KICK YOUR ASS!
WELL! SHALL WE LEAVE AT ONCE?
I'M COMING TO THE SCENE OF THE CRIME NOW...
HAHAHA!

HERE WE GO!
HAHA-HAHA!
AND HE HIT IT!! IT'S A BIG ONE--!!
THE NEXT NEWS.
IN ONE EAR AND OUT THE OTHER!
DON'T SLEEP HERE!!
WAITTT !!
I GIVE IT THREE STARS!
RUN HIM DOWN! CORNER HIM!!
Woof woof!
LOOK AT ME!!
"wash"
"bang"
WAHA-HAHA!
IT ENTERED!! DOWN!!
I'M THINKING, I'M THINKING...
OK, UNDER-STOOD.
IT'S STRONG ...
"sound of footsteps"
UNDERSTAND? UNDERSTAND?
NEXT QUESTION!

WHAT'S GOING ON HERE !?
THESE VOICES...
HOMERUN! SWITCH SIDES- !!
WHAT THE HELL ?
THESE SOUNDS
MEOW
SUZUKI GENKA SAAAN!
CORRECT ANSWER!

NANDEYA KIBI!
"BANG BANG"
AHAHA! YOU'RE RIGHT
IT CAN'T DIE, CAN YOU SERIOUSLY THINK IT WAS SUITABLE?
NOW FOR THE SECOND HALF! BANG
KYAAAA!
IT IS NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE FROM HIM TO "SENSE" ANY OF HIS ENEMIES MOVEMENTS.
IF I CREATE ALL THESE DISRUPTING NOISES,
"TURNING ON"
AHAHAHA!


FURTHERMORE, IF HE TUMBLES ABOUT AGAIN AND AGAIN IN THIS DARKNESS.
HIS SENSE OF DIRECTION WILL ALSO BE AFFECTED


HE..HEY, FUJIMARU
WHERE ARE THEY COMING FROM..?
WHAT ARE THOSE SOUNDS?

WHA-
BECAUSE
EVEN YOU ARE GETTING SCARED!

THE GUNSHOTS AND THE FOREIGNER'S VOICE CAME FROM A MOVIE
THE OTHER SOUNDS WERE FROM A TELEVISION VARIETY SHOW...A BASEBALL-GAME BROADCAST... A NEWS PROGRAM...
THEY'RE ALL SOUNDS THAT I GOT VIA THE INTERNET.

DID YOU HACK EVERY SINGLE PC IN THIS FACILITY ...?
IT CAN'T BE.
-HE
HEY!!
I SAID IT BEFORE, DIDN'T I?
HR. FROM THE INTERNET?
YEAH. BUT
THE SOUND ITSELF IS ACTUALLY COMING FROM THE PC'S ALREADY INSIDE THE FACILITY, THE ONES THAT WERE BEING USED IN THE LABORATORY EXPERIMENTS.

I HAVE NOW BECOME-
THIS BUILDINGS =BRAIN=

THANK GOODNESS
MU-NAKATTA-
AMAZ-ING.
YOU.. ACTUALLY DID IT..... UNBELIEVABLE !

TAKAGI-KUN..!! WE MUST HURRY AND TREAT YOUR...
...UGH
MUNAKAT-TA-SAN.
TAKE DAD AND GO OUTSIDE-

I BROUGHT MUNAKATTA-SAN
TA..
TAKAGI-KUN..!!

WAIT...
WH..AT!?
I'LL LEAVE DAD...IN YOUR HANDS

IF I DON'T TAKE CARE OF THAT GUY NOW, THEN SURELY... LATER ON, WE'LL ENCOUNTER SOMETHING MUCH MORE DANGEROUS...

WE NEED TO SETTLE THIS FIGHT HERE!
--YES!
...IT CAN'T BE...
DOES AOI-CHAN ALSO..?
I SAID IT, DIDN'T I?
"WE CANNOT FORGIVE TERRORISTS."
USE THIS.
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AOI
OTOYA
IT'LL BE POSSIBLE TO TALK WITH THIS IF WE'RE WITHIN 30 METERS
IT'S A WIRELESS BLUETOOTH HEADSET.
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--I WILL NEVER FORGIVE YOU!
THIS RESEARCH LABORATORY WILL BE
--YOUR ENEMY!!

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PINEAPPLE

I... ABOUT YOU...
SOME TIME EARLY HOURS OF THE MORNING
TODAY IN TOKYO.
WAHA-HAHA!
YOU DID IT!?
"I" IT FLEW!!
SHUJI-KUN A PERVERT!
HELL IS WAITING FOR A KING!
PHEW...
...I MUST CALM DOWN
I'LL BE SHOT IF I TURN ON ANY LIGHTS
THE OTHER PARTY HAS ABOUT TEN BULLETS REMAINING AND PERHAPS POSSESSES A SILENT FIREARM...
I HAVE ALREADY LET THE TAKAGI'S ESCAPE.
AREN'T I A PROFESSIONAL?
I DON'T HAVE TO KILL THEM.
THIS MISSION IS ALREADY OVER
--YEAH... THAT'S ACCEPTABLE, JACK.
PLAYTIME IS OVER.

THIS IS HOW THE PROFESSIONALS WORK,
ALRIGHT, TRY ESCAPING NOW...
FOLLOWING THE ORDERS OF THEIR HIRER
HAHA HAHA HA!!!
I'M GOING TO KILL YOU ALL!!
FALCON!
OTOYAA!!
-UGH!!
I'M OKAY, FUJIMARU! HE CAN'T SEE ANYTHING.
THINK ABOUT THE STRUCTURE OF THIS BUILDING. IF WE HIDE IN A POSITION OUTSIDE THE RANGE OF HIS BULLETS, WE CAN'T BE SHOT. HE'S JUST SHOOTING RANDOMLY IN THE DARK

I KNOW
EVEN IF THAT ARROW BARELY GRAZES HIM, HE'S FINISHED.
WE'RE USING AN ARROW DIPPED IN ANESTHETIC, SAME AS WE ALWAYS DO.
AIM FOR HIM AT THE MOMENT WHEN HE CHANGES THE MAGAZINE, AFTER HE RUNS OUT OF BULLETS!!
IDIOT! DON'T TAKE THIS SO LIGHTLY, IS THAT CLEAR!?

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HAHAHAHA!!
WHAT'S WRONG, YOU BRATS?
DID YOU THINK THAT I COULD SOMEHOW BE DEFEATED BY SUCH PETTY TRICKS?

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-DISTANCE FROM OTOYA ABOUT 10M.
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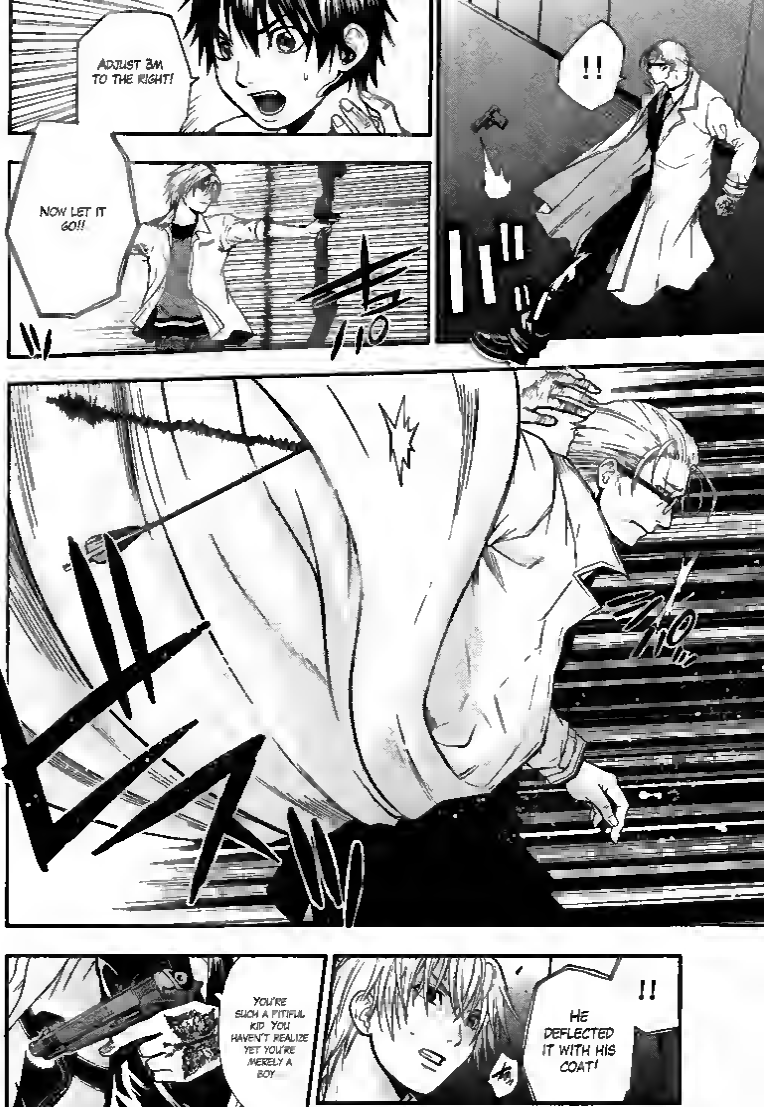
A LITTLE MORE...
TOO FAR TO THE RIGHT! ADJUST IT TO THE LEFT A LITTLE!
-NOW!
RIGHT THERE, OTOYA!


ADJUST 3M TO THE RIGHT!
NOW LET IT GO!!
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!!
HE DEFLECTED IT WITH HIS COAT!
YOU'RE SUCH A PITIFUL KID. YOU HAVEN'T REALIZE YET YOU'RE MERELY A BOY.

DO YOU REALLY WANT TO DIE THAT MUCH!?!
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-AH
DID YOU JUST DROP YOUR WEAPON?

--DIE, KID.
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I DON'T HAVE ANY BUSINESS WITH YOU.
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-THE SPRINKLERS AGAIN!?
BOTH PARENT AND CHILD ARE ATTEMPTING A CREATE A SMOKESCREEN?
SO UNCREATIVE-
AOI!!

GAA
AKRRGH !!

DID WE...
DO IT...!?
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RUN.
BOTH OF YOU!!

AOI!!
ASADA ?

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AAAH!!

WHAT...
WHAT A WOMAN!
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DID...
DID IT WORK..?
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...
HEH. HEH...
OTOYA, HURRY!
--OW...
PICK UP YOUR BOW AND ARROW!
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WHERE IS IT, FUJIMARU!?
TO YOUR RIGHT!
SHIT...!!
WHERE!?
WHERE IS--
-WAIT, NO... FROM OTOYA'S POINT OF VIEW, MY RIGHT IS HIS LEFT...
!!

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FUCK
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"THERE MUST BE ANOTHER WAY TO GET OUT OF THIS SITUATION!?"

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ARRR
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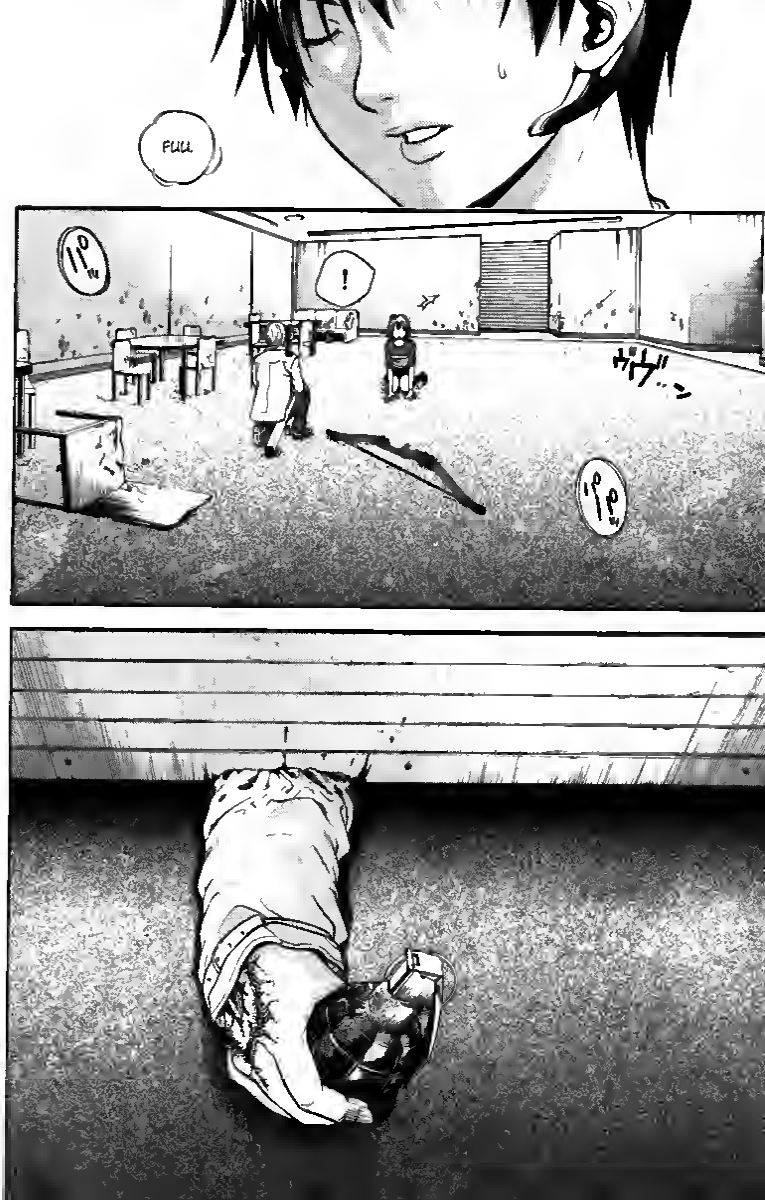
66HH HHHH HHH ...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YEAH.
I FINALLY CAPTURED-
YOU THOUGHT WELL, TO USE THE FIRE PREVENTION SHUTTER...
...!
...FEEL LIGHT HEADED ...DON'T YOU?
!
RUN!! GET OUT OF HERE !!!
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…HE ESCAPED!?
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File 22 『J』

HE SET OFF THE GRENADE,
BLOWING OFF HIS OWN HAND JUST SO HE COULD ESCAPE.
TCH...
WHO ARE THESE PEOPLE?
HOW CAN THEY BE WILLING TO KILL OR DO SUCH SUICIDAL THINGS SO EASILY...?
I-IT'S JUST SO...!!
THAT GUY...
I GUESS HE'D ALREADY BE OUTSIDE THE LABORATORY BY NOW... RIGHT?
NOPE.

HE HASN'T ESCAPED.

I USED IT TO CALL THE POLICE, TELLING THEM WE WERE BEING ATTACKED BY A GUN WIELDING TERRORIST.
THESE DAYS, HAVING AN INTERNET CONNECTION IS PRETTY MUCH THE SAME THING AS HAVING A LIVE PHONE LINE.
YOU KNOW, LIKE SKYPE.
IT SEEMS HE DIDN'T KNOW IT, BUT THERE WAS A VOIP HERE.
Phone ringing
Phone ringing
Phone ringing
Phone ringing
Phone ringing
Phone ringing

HOW DID YOUR ASSIGNMENT GO?
THE REQUEST WENT AS I EXPECTED IT TO, REALLY..
I GOT MY ASS KICKED BY THE GENIUS HACKER'S COUNTERATTACK.
——Hello ?
...IT'S [K].
KUKUKU
WHAT?
FALCON APPEARED?
AT THIS RATE,
I WON'T BE ABLE TO WITHDRAW SAFELY EITHER.
I'LL GO INTO MORE DETAILS LATER
RIGHT NOW I STILL HAVE ONE MORE TASK LEFT TO DO
DROP YOUR WEAPON!!
DROP YOUR WEAPON!!
I REPEAT!

A-ALL RIGHT...
PUT YOUR HANDS BEHIND YOUR HEAD, JUST LIKE THA—
ONE INJURED MALE COMING THROUGH!
DAD...
HE HAS A BULLET IN HIS LEFT ABDOMEN,
AND NEEDS AN IMMEDIATE BLOOD TRANSFUSION!

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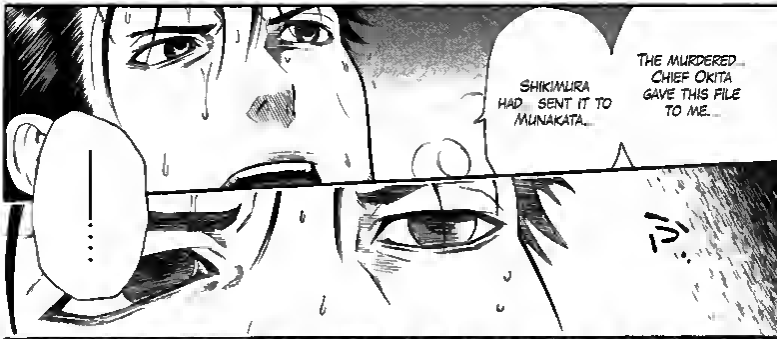
!
GIMME A HAND!
OI! MEDIC!
……!!
THE...THE MAN FROM BEFORE...
DID ALL THIS...BY HIMSELF!?

HOLY CRAP.
HE SERIOUSLY...GOT ANGRY...

THIS IS..?
FUJI... MAKU...
DAD!
T... THIS...
HOLD ON!


THE MURDERED... CHIEF OKITA GAVE THIS FILE TO ME...
SHIKIMURA HAD SENT IT TO MUNAKATA...
!....

!!
DAAAAD!!
DUE TO EXCESSIVE HEMORRHAGING, HE'S LOSING CONSCIOUSNESS!
HURRY AND PREPARE THE ANTI-SHOCK PANTS!

YOU'RE THE PATIENTS FAMILY, RIGHT? ARE YOU GOING TO RIDE?
YE-
!!
FUJIMARU -KUN!
EVERYONE!
HOUSHOU-SAN! DAD HAS
EVERYONE, COME AND RIDE WITH ME!
LET'S GO TO THE HOSPITAL TOGETHER.
--FOR CHRIST'S SAKE,
YOU GUYS.

HOUSHOU-SAN,
WILL YOU NOW ADMIT THAT WE'RE USEFUL IN BATTLE?
THIS TIME I DID QUITE WELL AT ADAPTING TO THE CIRCUM-STANCES.
I'D JUST TOLD YOU NOT TO DO ANYTHING RASH...
WE'RE SORRY...
IT'S JUST THAT WE REALLY DIDN'T EXPECT TO BE IN A SITUATION LIKE THAT...
GEEZ~
DO YOU REALLY THINK IT ALL WENT ACCORDING TO PLAN?
IT WAS MERE CHANCE THAT YOU WERE ABLE TO SURVIVE
...MERE CHANCE...
!
I ALSO UNDERSTAND YOUR FEELINGS, Y'KNOW?
I JUST... DON'T WANT TO LET YOU... DO ANY MORE DANGEROUS THINGS.
PLEASE TRY TO UNDERSTAND THE FEELING THAT WE, AS ADULTS, WANT PROTECT CHILDREN
BUT DO YOU REALLY THINK THINGS WILL KEEP CONTINUING TO GO WELL FROM NOW ON?

!?
OTOYA ...!!
...YOU UNDERSTAND NOTHING.
I CAN AT LEAST
PROTECT MY OWN LIFE.
AH!
ER... HOUSHOU-SAN...!
THIS KID!
.....
FUJIMARU-KUN!
YOU'RE... STILL PLANNING TO DO IT, TOO?!
...HM?
AT THIRD-IF
THIS FILE WAS GIVEN TO ME A WHILE AGO BY DAD
I'VE MADE A COPY ALREADY, SO PLEASE HAVE IT ANALYZED AT THIRD I OR WHEREVER

NOT THE POLICE, OR, ANOTHER MEMBER OF THIRD-I
BECAUSE RIGHT NOW...
THIS ISN'T THE KIND OF SITUATION WHERE WE CAN TRUST THEM...
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SORRY...
HONESTLY... IT'S IN ONE EAR AND OUT THE OTHER WITH YOU...
WELL, FINE. BUT LIKE I SAID BEFORE, CONTACT ME FIRST
...UNDERSTOOD.

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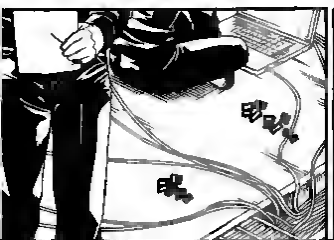
Fuuu~
Really.. Every time I come here, the inspection is so strict
Even though it's just a water supply facility

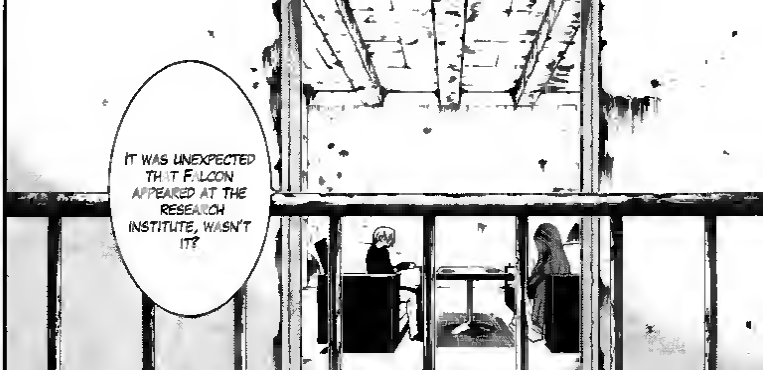
Hahaha
And in exchange, the reward is about 10 times the usual?
Think of it as a bonus!
But 10 times~~ President
After working here, I want to undergo purification at a shrine..
Ammaright, Marlo?

YOU'RE SUCH A GOOD KID, MARLO!
ALL RIGHT! I'LL BE WORKING FOR MY CUTE LIL' HIDE AND RAOUL!!
SSHH!
I'M FINE
I'M WORKING FOR NII-SAN'S BENEFIT AFTER ALL!
IT'S THE WATER SUPPLY IN HERE
WE LEAVE IT TO YOU.
OH MY~ THANK YOU FOR YOUR BUSINESS AS ALWAYS!

...

...AH
MARLO'S ENTERED.




IT WAS UNEXPECTED THAT FALCON APPEARED AT THE RESEARCH INSTITUTE, WASN'T IT?

YEAH
ナイキ.
AFTER THE OKITA FILE WAS PASSED ON TO FALCON'S HANDS,
IT'LL BE ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE HE NOTICES WHY HE IS INVOLVED IN THIS CASE.
WE'LL NEED TO PREPARE FOR THAT,
『K』

ナヌ
FINALLY...
IT LOOKS LIKE IT'LL BECOME INTERESTING.

...I HAVE GREAT EXPECTATIONS OF YOUR INTELLECT.
"I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOUR INTELLIGENCE"

……
J

THE LEADER IS YOU, K.
IN THE END, I'M MERELY NOTHING MORE THAN A STAFF MEMBER.
カチャ.
HOWEVER...
I INTEND TO ENJOY IT FROM MY STANDPOINT

THE SHINING
"MONDAY'S CELEBRATION", THAT IS.

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I INTEND TO ENJOY IT FROM MY STANDPOINT.
THE SHINING...
"MONDAY FESTIVAL", THAT IS.

File-23 GAME

THE FALCON... HIM?
EVEN THE FALCON SHOULD BE ENJOYING THIS HAZARD.
IF PEOPLE DON'T DO THAT, THEN THEY WON'T BE ABLE TO LEAVE GOOD RESULTS.
I NEED TO ENJOY EVERYTHING, "K".
A BAD HABIT? THIS STANCE OF MINE IS MY STRENGTH.
THAT'S A PRETTY BAD HABIT, "J".
ENJOY IT...HUH?

IF HE ISN'T, THEN NOTHING MAKES ANY SENSE.
HE HAS TO BE ENJOYING THIS FROM SOMEWHERE IN HIS HEART.
DID YOU KNOW? HE'S THE HACKER WHO MADE HIS WAY INTO THE PENTAGON'S SYSTEM THAT WAS SAID TO BE IMPREGNABLE.
AND HE WAS IN HIGH SCHOOL. HE WAS JUST A KID
HE'S ENJOYING THIS GAME WHERE HE AND HIS FRIENDS ARE THE PIECES ..
STOPPING OUR PLAN IS NOTHING BUT A GAME TO HIM...IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE SAYING?
OUR PLAN WAS BROUGHT TO A STANDSTILL WHEN IT WAS ALMOST COMPLETE 2 YEARS AGO...
WASN'T THAT DUE TO THE FALCON PLAYING"?
AND THAT WAS IN SPITE OF THE CONSIDERABLE AMOUNT OF FUNDS AND PERSONNEL WE USED
.....
AND THIS TIME HE'S MANAGED TO DEFEAT BOTH A TERRORIST AND AN ASSASSIN.
GOOD WORK
WE MUSTN'T UNDERESTIMATE HOW MUCH A CHILD CAN CONCENTRATE ON A GAME

THEY CAN SEE THINGS NORMAL PEOPLE CAN'T WHILE INSIDE A COMPUTER.
AND... FOR HACKERS WHO HAVE BEEN NAMED GENIUSES...
THAT'S RIGHT...
JUST LIKE A FALCON SOARING THROUGH THE SKY...
CAN SEE A MOUSE CRAWLING ON THE GROUND...

WELL...
I WANT TO SEE IT.
I WON'T BE LIKE AN ADULT AND LET MY GUARD DOWN BECAUSE HE'S A KID.
HE'S HERE.
THERE'S NO NEED TO WORRY.
I'M CLOSE TO HIS AGE...

I, TOO, HAVE THE BLOOD OF "GOD" IN MY VEINS.
THERE'S ONE THING I'LL PROVE TO YOU.
.....

WELL THEN...
WE'LL END THE INTRODUCTION HERE...THERE'S SOMETHING I WANT TO ASK YOU.
I'LL TELL YOU ANYTHING.
THE CONTENTS OF THE FILE LEFT BEHIND BY PROFESSOR SHIKIMURA.
HAVE YOU FOUND AN ANSWER FOR ME?
...OF COURSE.
AND...
I'M SURE "HE" HAS, AS WELL.
FUJIMARU-KUN!

HOW'S MY FATHER..?
HOUSHOU-SAN.

IT LOOKS LIKE HE NEEDS COMPLETE BED REST FOR A WHILE
BUT...HE LOST A LOT OF BLOOD, SO HE'S PRETTY WEAK.
HE'LL BE FINE. HIS LIFE ISN'T IN DANGER.

THAT'S ACTUALLY KIND OF COMFORTING.
SO THEY SHOULD BE HERE BEFORE LONG. THAT MEANS HE WON'T BE ABLE TO ACT ALONE ANYMORE
WELL. THE POLICE STILL SUSPECT CAP TAKAGI
AM GLAD...
I REALLY...
BUT..

ARE YOU OKAY?
YES...
I'M A BIT RELIEVED, SO I'VE GOTTEN A LITTLE LESS NERVOUS...BUT IT'S EMBARRASSING.
ANYONE WOULD REACT THIS WAY AFTER GETTING WRAPPED UP IN THIS KIND OF SITUATION.
I'M HOUSHOU OF "THIRD-I"
I'LL PROPERLY INTRODUCE MYSELF
I'M MUNAKATA OF THE BIOCHEMISTRY RESEARCH INSTITUTE
I'VE HEARD THAT YOU WERE A GOOD FRIEND OF CAT TAKAGI'S LATE WIFE...
YES. SINCE WE WERE IN HIGH SCHOOL.
AND I HEARD THAT YOU WERE CLOSE WITH PROFESSOR SHIKIMURA.
YES. WE WERE ALWAYS TOGETHER BACK IN COLLEGE...
!!
HOUSHOU-SAN!

THAT'S... RIGHT.
YOU CAN'T DO IT RIGHT AWAY
AS I TOLD YOU, HE'S REALLY WEAK.
THERE'S SOMETHING I HAVE TO MAKE SURE OF WITH MY FATHER

IS IT ABOUT THE SHIKIMURA FILE?

WHAT DO YOU THINK IT IS?
TAKAGI-KUN DIDN'T TELL ME SO I WOULDN'T BE INVOLVED
NO, NOTHING SPECIFIC...
MUNAKATA-SAN, DID MY FATHER TELL YOU ANYTHING ABOUT THE CONTENTS OF THE FILE?
YES.

NOTHING BUT...
A GUESS, BUT...
IT'S STILL...

FIRST OF ALL...
THE FILE THAT OKITA OF "THIRD-I" GAVE TO TAKASI RYUUNOSUKE...
IS MOST LIKELY THE DATA FROM THE ANALYSIS OF "BLOODY-X", THE GENOCIDE VIRUS BROUGHT BACK FROM RUSSIA.
IF SO, THEN TWO YEARS AGO... WHEN OUR PLAN WAS BROUGHT TO A STANDSTILL...
THE DATA ON "BLOODY-X" AND THE GENOME OF THE VIRUS THAT WAS SEIZED BEFORE IT WAS USED...
WERE GIVEN TO SHIKIMURA.
IF THAT'S THE CASE...
THEN WHAT HE LEFT BEHIND IS...

I LOOKED AT THE CONTENTS OF THE FILE THAT MY FATHER GOT FROM OKITA-SAN
THE FEELING I GOT AT FIRST GLANCE...
WAS THAT IT LOOKED LIKE IT WAS THE GENETIC INFORMATION OF A VIRUS
THE GENETIC INFORMATION OF A VIRUS?
YES. THE DETAILS WERE TOO TECHNICAL FOR ME SO I DON'T KNOW ANY MORE THAN THAT
BUT IF WE ASSUME THAT THEY KILLED SHIKIMURA-SAN BECAUSE HE WAS AN EXCELLENT BACTERIOLOGIST..
THE CONTENTS OF THIS UNOPENED FILE WOULD BE...
EXACTLY
IT TAKES TIME FOR A VACCINE TO ESTABLISH ITSELF IN THE BODY AND FOR ITS PROTECTION TO BEGIN
I DIDN'T REALLY UNDERSTAND, SO I DID A BIT OF RESEARCH.
YES. AND ONCE THE SYMPTOMS APPEAR, THE VACCINE WILL HAVE NO EFFECT
NO.
A VACCINE TO COUNTERACT THE VIRUS!?
A VACCINE WOULD BE POINTLESS.

THERE'S NO WAY THEY'LL MAKE IT IN TIME
EVEN IF THEY VACCINATE EVERYONE WHO HAS COME IN CONTACT WITH THE INFECTED...
IN THIS SITUATION..
THEY COULD START THEIR TERRORIST ATTACK ANYWHERE WITH ANYONE
TO VACCINATE EVERYONE IN JAPAN.
AND THEY DON'T HAVE ENOUGH TIME OR MATERIALS...
BUT....
A PREVENTATIVE MEASURE LIKE A VACCINE ISN'T THE ONLY WAY TO FIGHT A VIRUS.

LIKE WITH THE MEDICINE THAT CURES
THERE ARE CASES WHERE THINGS CAN BE DONE EVEN AFTER INFECTION.
ONLY ONE ANSWER CAN BE DERIVED FROM THESE FACTS.
WHAT'S IN THE SHIKIMURA FILE...
IS SOMETHING THAT WILL KILL THE VIRUS AFTER IT HAS ENTERED THE BODY.

AN
ANTIVIRAL!!

SO IT'S THAT...
AFTER ALL.
WELL, SINCE THE VIRUS FROM 2 YEARS AGO WAS SENT TO "THIRD-I"...
IT WAS INEVITABLE
NOT TO MENTION THAT WITH A BACTERIOLOGIST WHO REPRESENTS JAPAN LIKE PROFESSOR SHIKIMURA.
TO DEVELOP AN ANTIVIRAL THAT CAN STOP THE VIRUS ISN'T SURPRISING SINCE HE HAD 2 YEARS.
IF HE MANAGED TO REACH THE PRODUCTION STAGE...
IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN PRODUCED AT SOME SMALL PHARMACEUTICAL COMPANY UNDER A DIFFERENT NAME.
THE SHIKIMURA FILE WOULD HAVE THAT DEVELOPMENT CODE.
AND THAT'S MY OPINION ON THE MATTER, "K".

WE HAVE MEASURES WE CAN TAKE..
BUT AGAINST THE FALCON, IT MAY DO NO MORE THAN BUY US A LITTLE TIME
TRUE... WE NEED TO HURRY A BIT
WE HAVE TO FIND IT BEFORE THEM AND DESTROY IT
IT WOULD BE A MAJOR HINDRANCE TO OUR PLANS IF THAT MADE ITS WAY INTO THE HANDS OF 'THIRD-I'..
AND...

For now... I won't worry about the encryption on the Shikimura File.
What do the 2 sets of data in the Okita File mean ?
Alpha Virus and...
Beta Virus...Is it?
Is there.
A difference between them...?
Asada, calm down a bit.
They said that Ryuunosuke-san's condition was stable, didn't they?
Th-that's true, but...!
He was shot... of course I'm going to be worried!
Well, you're worried but he is Ryuunosuke-san.
If the son is the Falcon then the father is the Phoenix
He's Phoenix Takaki Ryuunosuke.
...
Kujou-san...
Did something happen between you and Ryuunosuke-sensei...?

I REALLY WAS YOUNG.
WHEN I WENT WITH MY GRAND-FATHER TO WORK...
EH...?
A LONG TIME AGO..
I WAS KIDNAPPED
AND HE'S THE ONE WHO RESCUED ME.
IS...THAT JO?
A LONG TIME AGO...?

!!
THE DATES ON THE TWO SETS OF DATA ARE DIFFERENT!
THE ALPHA ONE IS RECENT...
BUT THE BETA ONE IS FROM AUGUST 2 YEARS AGO.
AUGUST....
TWO YEARS AGO...!?
RIGHT NOW, HE POSSESSES THE KEY THAT CONNECTS THE PAST TO THE PRESENT
HE'LL REALIZE IT BEFORE LONG.
HE'LL FIND THE LINK BETWEEN...
THIS "PLAN" AND THE "INCIDENT FROM 2 YEARS AGO"!!

HOUSHOU-SAN!!
HM!?
WHAT IS IT THIS TIME!?
I NEED TO ASK YOU SOMETHING!!
IT'S ABOUT THE INCIDENT FROM AUGUST OF 2 YEARS AGO...
!!?
FUJIMARU-KUN YOU STUMBLED UPON SOME INFORMATION ON A TERROR ATTACK WHILE HACKING AND "THIRD-I" WAS ABLE TO PREVENT THE WORST POSSIBLE SITUATION FROM OCCURRING AT THE BEACH..
I WASN'T ASSIGNED TO "THIRD-I" YET, BUT I'VE SEEN THE RECORDS
2 YEARS AGO.
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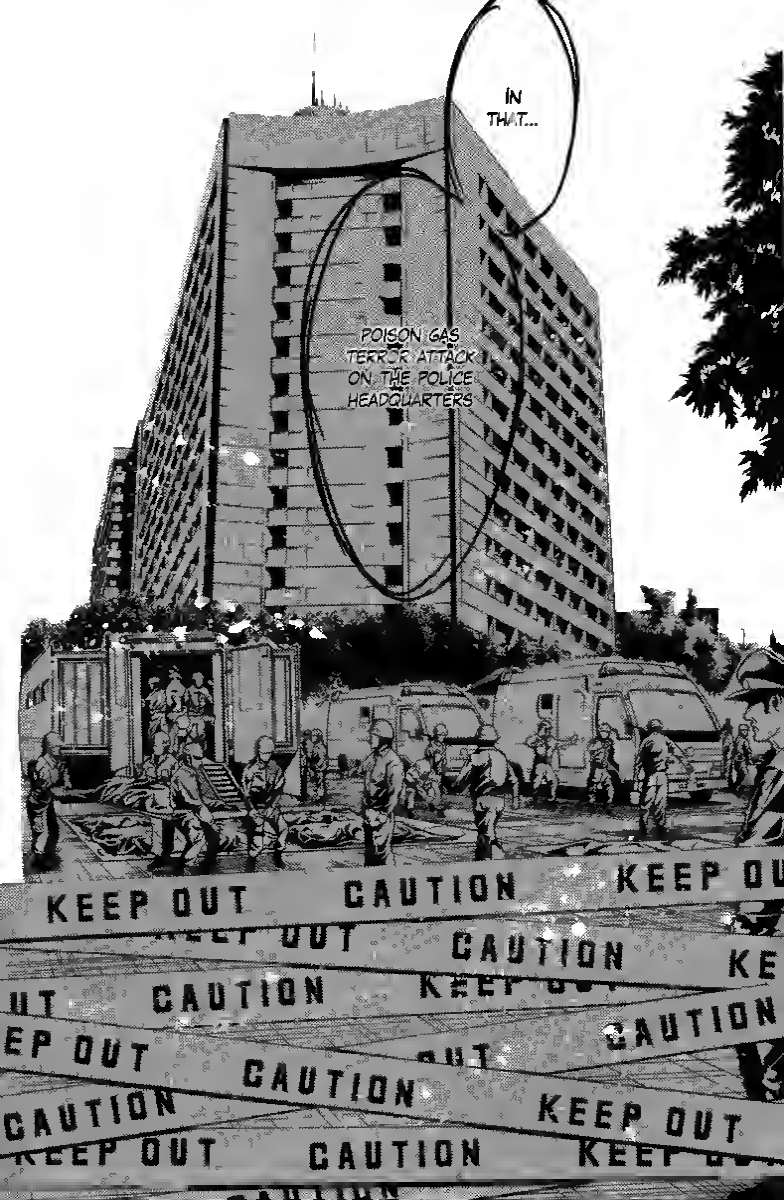
YES.
THEY PREVENTED THE WORST POSSIBLE SITUATION, BUT...
THERE WERE...
AN UNPRECEDENTED NUMBER OF DEATHS...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